The Permanent Mission of Ecuador, in its capacity as President pro tempore of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States -CELAC-, presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of the Member States of the Community and in reference to its Note Verbale 13/2015 CELAC, by which a proposal by Colombia for the CELAC statement for the thematic debate of the Ad-Hoc Working Group on the revitalization of the General Assembly on the election of the Secretary General and other Executive Heads of the Organization was circulated, has the honor to communicate that it has received from Colombia a new version of the proposal which reads as follows:

"In this regard, CELAC considers necessary to highlight that, to date, the UN has been under the leadership of eight male Secretary Generals and a female Secretary General has never been elected for the post. We encourage member states to present and support suitable female candidates this time."

Since the new proposal only corrects a factual mistake, this proposal is still under a silence procedure until Monday 27 April at 9:00 am.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador, in its capacity as President pro tempore of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States -CELAC-, avails itself of this opportunity to renew the Permanent Missions of the Member States of the Community the assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, April 24, 2015

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