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To Member States of ITU Council

Subject: **Retirement of ITU Council Chair**

Dear Madam/Sir,

I have been notified that the ITU Council Chair, Mr César Martinez, took his well-deserved retirement at the end of December 2023. I would like to thank him for his hard work as Council Chair and wish him all the best in this new chapter of his life.

In accordance with Article 4 of the Convention and Rule 10 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council, the Vice-Chair shall serve as Chair in the absence of the latter. Therefore, I wish to inform you that the Vice-Chair, Mr Frédéric Sauvage, will be the acting Chair until his formal election at the 2024 session of the Council in June. I am confident in his ability to lead the Council, and I know he will be able to count on your support as well.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a healthy, happy, and joyful new year.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

Doreen Bogdan-Martin
Secretary-General