



PERMANENT MISSION
OF THE REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

Mr. President,

The Republic of San Marino attaches great importance to the reform of the Security Council.

We believe that the newly reformed Council should be more representative, more effective and more accountable. All of us agree that the Council can and shall be enlarged. Let's not waste more time.

Mr. President, we understand and value the desire of few great nations that either for their population size, for their economic success or for their prominent role in their geographic area desire to obtain a permanent seat in the Council.

We believe, however, that neither today nor in the near future the General Assembly is ready to take this irreversible commitment.

We encourage all the Member States to negotiate, with an open and comprising mind, an intermediate solution that will focus on balanced geographic representation, on fair rotation and on contribution of each Member States to the international well being; we shall award those States that subordinate their national interests to there international needs.

Mr. President, the enlargement of the Council should take into account the important contribution of small and medium size States that, at present, are under represented.

We believe that the time is ripe to show to the citizens of the world that the General Assembly of the United Nations can reform its Security Council in the interest of all.

Thank you Mr. President.