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The Chairperson

To Ministers responsible for
relations with UNESCO

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13 March 2025

Sir/Madam,

In my letter CL/GBS/SCX/2024/092 dated 24 October 2024, I invited Member States, in accordance with the procedure adopted by the Executive Board (220 EX/Decision 19), to communicate to me the names of persons who might be considered as candidates for the office of Director-General.

Pursuant to the above-mentioned procedure, I have the honour to inform you that on 13 March 2025 I received the following candidature:

- **Mr Firmin Edouard Matoko (Congo)**

Upon receipt, I will keep you duly informed of candidatures presented and after the deadline for submission (midnight on 15 March 2025) a complete list of the candidates will be transmitted.

As provided for in 220 EX/Decision 19, the candidates are invited to submit to me a text of up to 2,000 words, in English or in French, setting out their vision for UNESCO. The vision statement and biographical details of each candidate will be made available on the Executive Board website on 16 March 2025 and will be contained in a document of the Executive Board at its 221st session.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Vera El Khoury Lacoueilhe

cc : Permanent Delegations to UNESCO
Members of the Executive Board