

February 27, 2020

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Excellency,

Request for status of observer to be granted to the United Nations at the Indian Ocean Commission.

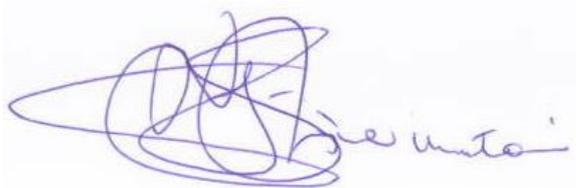
I am writing to you in your capacity of Chair of the Indian Ocean Commission.

Given the importance of regional exchanges and collaboration among Indian Ocean nations to ensure that all can progress together towards the objective of the 2030 development agenda, it is of utmost importance for the United Nations systems to stay abreast of the evolving trends in regional cooperation under the Indian Ocean Commission so it can best adapt its offer of support.

In that regard, I would like to respectfully request that a point be added to the agenda of the March 6th IOC Council of Ministers to be held in Seychelles: That the United Nations be granted a status of observer to the Indian Ocean Commission and be invited to all relevant gatherings.

Looking forward to your support with this request.

Respectfully,



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United Nations Resident Coordinator for Mauritius and Seychelles

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