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Statement on the Results of the Libyan Political Dialogue and the December 24, 2021 Elections in Libya

Further to our previous notes and letters on October 23, 2020, October 25, 2020 and November 14, 2020, in which we expressed our observations and reservations on the details of the Libyan Political Dialogue, the Ihya Libya Bloc would like to state the following:

(I)- We extend our thanks to the United Nations Support Mission to Libya for its tireless work for Libya, while confirming our reservations mentioned in our notes referred to above.

(II)- We wish the new Presidential Council and the new Government success in urgently unifying institutions, and making the fight against Covid-19 pandemic a top national priority, during their short term of office, while preparing to hold presidential and parliamentary elections on time on December 24, 2021, according to their written and attested pledges.

(III)- We wish the new Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations to Libya every success, and we call on him to make his first priority the support for holding the presidential and parliamentary elections on its scheduled date, and to conduct them under rigid international oversight, with careful scrutiny of the electoral register and the national identification system on which it is built, and reviewing all procedures, processes, and systems related to elections, including sources of funding for electoral campaigns and the elements of integrity and transparency in conducting them.

(IV)- We ask the High National Elections Commission (HNEC) to open the door for voter registration and update the rosters of registrants due to their obsolescence, and we, hereby, demand that the Presidential Council and the Government of National Accord to immediately embark on preparing for the elections, and effectively support the HNEC on the ground; not just in verbal statements, and not to waste further time in the procrastination in implementing this deserved popular entitlement to renew legitimacy in Libya.

(V)- We call on the Security Council to issue a binding resolution to hold the presidential and parliamentary elections on the aforementioned date, and to respect their results, while modifying the responsibilities of the United Nations Support Mission to Libya to become a mission to support and implement the elections, as well as the adoption of the Constitutional Declaration with its amendments, which included decisions of the February Committee and Resolution No. 5 of the year 2014, as a constitutional rule for holding the presidential and parliamentary elections on time, and not to allow the exploitation of artificial legal controversy regarding the constitutional base to delay and torpedo the elections that the Libyan people were deprived of for six whole years.

May God Preserve Libya; Free, Proud, Sovereign, Unified, Independent, and Prosperous State, God Almighty Willing.