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The Office of the Director-General of the United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON) presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kenya, and has the honour to refer to the esteemed Ministry's *Note Verbale* of 7 September 2021, Ref. No. MFA/PRIV/GEN/07 VOL I(65). Pursuant to this *Note Verbale*, on Wednesday 22 September 2021 UNON briefed the five Deans of the Diplomatic Corps and Chairs of the Regional Groups on the phased return to normal operations, including revised guidelines for the use of UNON conference facilities and return to in-person intergovernmental meetings, and on health and safety measures for access to the UNON Gigiri Complex.

Further to this briefing, in accordance with health and safety protocols for access to the UNON Gigiri Complex, and in line with discussions with the Deans of the Diplomatic Corps and Chairs of the Regional Groups, UNON has the honour to share these revised guidelines with Permanent Missions and to inform the esteemed Ministry that from Monday, 4 October 2021, UNON shall in principle require that persons wishing to access the UNON Gigiri Complex be fully vaccinated. The Office of the Director-General, has the honour to request all Permanent Missions to send *Note Verbales* to UNON confirming the names of all Diplomats, staff and other associated personnel of Permanent Missions who are fully vaccinated and can therefore be granted access to the UNON Gigiri Complex. All *Note Verbales* should be sent to the Office of the Director-General of UNON, unon-officeofdirectorgeneral@un.org. On 4 October 2021 all grounds passes providing access to the Complex will be deactivated, and subsequently reactivated based on relevant communication of vaccination status received by UNON.

The Office of the Director-General of UNON avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kenya the assurances of its highest consideration.

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