## Council of Europe The Secretary General

Strasbourg, 4 June 2024

Dear President-elect,

On behalf of the Council of Europe, I should like to warmly congratulate you on your election as President of Mexico.

The Council of Europe attaches great importance to its relationship with Mexico, which plays an active role as an observer state. This year, Mexico is celebrating the 25th anniversary of its observer status with the Council of Europe. I trust that during your term of office, our co-operation based on shared values of human rights, democracy and the rule of law, will continue and be further strengthened, building on our Joint Declaration on a Council of Europe-Mexico Strategic Partnership.

In this context, I would be particularly honoured to have an opportunity to meet you on the occasion of my forthcoming official visit to Mexico on 3 and 4 July 2024 and to exchange on concrete ways for co-operation, including support to Ukraine through the Register of Damage Caused by the Aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine, which Mexico, as an observer with the Council of Europe, pledged to join in May 2023.

I look forward to meeting you soon and to developing closer relations between Mexico and the Council of Europe in a common endeavour to further advance human rights, democracy and the rule of law.

With my sincere and best wishes for every success in your work.

Yours sincerely,

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