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Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon (right) and Ambassador Peter Thomson of Fiji, President-designate of the General Assembly's 71st session (March 2010). UN Photo/Evan Schneider

On Monday 13 June the United Nations General Assembly elected Peter Thomson, Permanent Representative of Fiji, as President of its upcoming 71st session. Mr. Thomson, who will replace current General Assembly President Mogens Lykketoft, will begin his tenure in September at the commencement of the 71st General Assembly session.

"I am confident that he will seek the views of others to forge consensus. As the new President-elect once said, 'Progress at the United Nations does not emanate from adversarial corners, but from cooperation by those who meet in the middle,'" Mr. Ban said.



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