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Excellency,

In our capacity as Co-chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the General Assembly, we have, since convening the first Working Group meeting on 15 April, met with representatives of regional groups, as well as a number of delegations that have expressed a keen interest in this process, to seek their views and input on the work plan that we indicated we would circulate by the end of May. It has been our expressed aim to identify with you a manageable list of specific issues in order to achieve tangible results. The areas and issues listed below were the ones most frequently identified by Member States as most relevant to revitalization. Building on the extensive input of Member States, we therefore have the honour to propose the draft programme of work below:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Theme</u>
3 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Implementation of GA resolutions and the GA agenda- Operational and technical issues, including information on the voting GA system, in the framework of the Capital Master Plan;
5 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- The role of the General Assembly and its relationship to the other principal organs of the Organisation and the visibility and public outreach capacity of the Assembly;- The role and responsibility of the General Assembly in the process of appointing Secretaries-General of the United Nations;
19 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Strengthening the institutional memory of the Office of the President of the General Assembly and enhancing its functions and relationship with the Secretariat.

As Co-chairs, we would like to renew our commitment to observing the principles of transparency and inclusiveness in our collective efforts to achieve substantive and tangible results during the current session, and we express our gratitude for the high level of interest shown by Member States, and we look forward to the active participation of delegations in the meetings ahead.

Please accept Excellency, the assurance of our highest consideration.

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