







21 February 2019

Excellency,

We write to you in our capacities as co-facilitators appointed by the President of the General Assembly to consult with Member States on the substantive work, including possible outcomes, of the 2019 High – level Dialogue on Financing for Development (FfD) and co-facilitators appointed by the President of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) to prepare the agreed conclusions and recommendations of the 2019 ECOSOC FfD Forum follow up and facilitate consultations among Member States which will lead to reaching an intergovernmentally agreed outcome.

In discharging our mandates, we will convene the first informal consultations at 9:30 AM on Tuesday 26 February 2019 in Conference Room 4. During this first meeting, delegations will have an opportunity to be briefed on the consultation process and roadmap of the intergovernmental negotiations on the conclusions and recommendations of the ECOSOC 2019 FfD Forum and to provide their views on the process, desired format and result of the High-level Dialogue on FfD.

In this regard, we propose to consider the following guiding questions in our discussion:

- 1) What are the objectives of the Forum and the High-level Dialogue and how can they best promote the implementation of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda?
- 2) Are there specific areas of progress or implementation gaps on which both the Forum and the High-level Dialogue should focus?
- 3) What would constitute the most effective outcome(s) for the Forum and the High-Level Dialogue to ensure the greatest impact on financing for development efforts?
- 4) What format should the High-level Dialogue take? How can we use the convening power of the UN during high-level week to best advantage? Who are the most important stakeholders to include in the planning of this High-level Dialogue?

5) How can we ensure that the Forum and the High-level Dialogue complement the other meetings that will be held during high-level week of UNGA 74: the Climate Action Summit (23 September), the meeting on Universal Health Coverage (23 September), the SDG Summit (24-25 September), and the High-level review on progress on the SAMOA Pathway (27 September)?

We count on your active participation and support in this process.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurance of our highest consideration.

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