



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

14 September 2018

Excellency,

Pursuant to resolution 72/243, the General Assembly decided to convene a high level plenary meeting to be called the Nelson Mandela Peace Summit on 24 September 2018. According to paragraph 10, the high-level meeting shall adopt a short and concise political declaration at the opening plenary meeting of the Nelson Mandela Peace Summit.

In this regard, I have the honour to inform you that the text of the political declaration has been finalized after the expiration of the silence procedure today at 2 p.m. I will transmit this final draft to my successor, the President of the 73<sup>rd</sup> session of the General Assembly, to prepare the text for its adoption at the Nelson Mandela Peace Summit.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to H.E. Mr. Jerry Matjila, Permanent Representative of South Africa and H.E. Ms. Geraldine Byrne Nason, Permanent Representative of Ireland for their skillful steering of the process and exceptional dedication. I would also like to extend my appreciation to all delegations for their constructive participation in the process.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Lajčák', written over a light blue circular stamp.

Miroslav Lajčák

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