

17 June 2019

Excellency,

We write to you in our capacities as co-facilitators appointed by the President of the General Assembly to lead intergovernmental consultations on a Political Declaration as the mandated outcome of the comprehensive high-level mid-term review of the implementation of the Vienna Programme of Action (VPoA) for landlocked developing countries (LLDCs) for the decade 2014-2024.

We now have the honor to share with you a zero draft on the political declaration.

In order to hear your initial comments on the zero draft, we will convene the first informal consultations at **3 PM on Tuesday 18 June 2019 in the ECOSOC Chamber**. During this first meeting, delegations will have an opportunity to be briefed on the proposed structure and content of the zero draft, the roadmap of the intergovernmental negotiations and will be invited to provide general comments.

We would also like to invite you to the first reading of the zero draft on **Friday 21 June 2019 starting from 10 AM in Conference Room 2**, with a view to hearing specific and substantive comments of Member States on the zero draft.

We hope to have interpretation for the presentation of the zero draft as well as for the first reading.

The subsequent informals, as communicated in our previous letter, will take place during the following dates:

Date	Time	Activity	Location
<b>27 June</b>	10am – 1pm, 3pm – 6pm	Second Informal	CR 12
<b>1 July</b>	10am – 1pm, 3pm – 6pm	Third Informal	CR 2

The interpretation for these informals will be on as-available basis.

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

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



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