

17 June 2019

Excellency,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter dated 17 June 2019 from H.E. Mr. Jan Kickert, Permanent Representative of Austria and H.E. Ms. Doma Tshering, Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of Bhutan, the co-facilitators to lead intergovernmental consultations with a view to producing a Political Declaration for 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, as mandated by General Assembly Resolution 72/232 entitled "Follow-up to the second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries" of 20 December 2017.

The co-facilitators share the zero-draft of the outcome document ahead of the first informal consultations to be held tomorrow, 18 June 2019, at 3:00 p.m. in the ECOSOC Chamber.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés

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