

1 August 2019

Excellency,

I have the honour to circulate a letter dated 1 August 2019 from H.E. Mrs. Marie Chatardová, Permanent Representative of the Czech Republic, and H.E. Mrs. Maria Helena Lopes De Jesus Pires, Permanent Representative of Timor-Leste, co-facilitators of the process to lead intergovernmental consultations aimed at enhancing synergies and coherence and reducing overlap where it is found to exist in the agendas of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and their subsidiary bodies, as well as the High-level political forum and other related forums in light of the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The co-facilitators are sharing the final compromise draft input of the alignment process to the General Assembly draft resolution on the "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly", which, following consultations with co-facilitators, is under silence procedure until 3:00 p.m., on Tuesday, 6 August 2019.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank H.E. Mrs. Marie Chatardová, Permanent Representative of the Czech Republic, and H.E. Mrs. Maria Helena Lopes De Jesus Pires, Permanent Representative of Timor-Leste for their work and leadership in executing this mandate, as well as to all delegations for their constructive engagement throughout the process.

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

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We are writing to you in our capacity as co-facilitators appointed by the President of the General Assembly to lead the intergovernmental consultations aimed at "enhancing synergies and coherence and reduce overlap where it is found to exist in the agendas of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and their subsidiary bodies, as well as the high-level political forum and other related forums in light of the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development", in accordance with paragraphs 29, 30 and 31 of the resolution 72/313 of 20 September 2018 entitled "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly".

We have the honour to inform you that, after series of informal consultations, the final compromise draft input of the alignment process to the General Assembly draft resolution on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly is now being put under <u>silence procedure</u> <u>until Tuesday</u>, 6 August 2019, 3:00 PM.

We have done our best to accommodate comments from delegations, while trying to keep an overall balance among the various positions. We hope the compromise draft is now acceptable to you and we sincerely look forward to achieving consensus on it.

We also wish to warmly thank you for your active engagement in the discussion throughout the process that paved the way to a successful outcome of the alignment process.

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

Marie Chatardová

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<u>Input of the alignment process to the General Assembly draft resolution on the</u> revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

Co-facilitators' compromise proposal for the silence procedure

Recalls the Guidelines on the Rationalization of the Agenda of the General Assembly, as adopted in its resolution 48/264 of 29 July 1994;

Also recalls the need to enhance synergies and coherence by addressing gaps, overlaps and duplication where they are found to exist in the agendas of the General Assembly, especially of its Second and Third Committees, and the Economic and Social Council and its subsidiary bodies, in accordance with relevant rules of procedure and in the light of the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;

Requests the General Committee, while exercising its functions under rule 40 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, to pay special attention to reduction of such overlap; (agreed language, OP30, res. 72/313)

Reiterates its request to the President of the General Assembly at its 74th session to identify proposals, in a timely manner, through consultations with all Member States, the President of the Economic and Social Council, and the General Committee, within their respective mandates, aimed at addressing gaps, overlaps and duplication where they are found to exist in the agenda of the General Assembly as they relate to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as a whole, and reaffirms the respective mandates of the Main Committees of the General Assembly, and on that basis, calls on all of them to continue their consideration of addressing gaps, overlaps and duplication in their respective agendas as they relate to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as a whole, and, in this regard, requests them to make proposals available for discussion during the 74th session of the General Assembly;

Takes note with appreciation of the updated mapping assessment of the SDG coverage developed during the 73rd session of the General Assembly as an evolving reference document for the consideration of the Member States during the 74th session of the General Assembly, and also takes note of the initial efforts made during the 73rd session of the General Assembly to develop possible criteria to identify overlaps and duplication where they are found to exist, with a view to continuing the work on agenda alignment with the aim to focus the work of the General Assembly more effectively and efficiently on the timely implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;