



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

8 November 2019

Excellency,

I wish to refer to General Assembly resolution 73/292 of 9 May 2019, entitled “2020 United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development”. In its paragraphs 20 and 21, the Assembly requested the President of the General Assembly to appoint two co-facilitators, one from a developing country and one from a developed country, to oversee the preparatory process and conclude the intergovernmental consultations on a brief, concise, action-oriented and intergovernmentally agreed declaration; and chair a two-day preparatory meeting in February 2020 with a view to considering the themes for the interactive dialogues and elements for the declaration.

In this regard, I have the pleasure to inform you that I have appointed H.E. Ms. Ngedikes Olai Uludong, Permanent Representative of Palau, and H.E. Mr. Martin Bille Hermann, Permanent Representative of Denmark to oversee the aforementioned process and intergovernmental consultations.

I would like to thank Ambassador Uludong and Ambassador Hermann for accepting this very important responsibility and I trust that you will extend your full support and cooperation to them.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tijjani Muhammad-Bande'.

Tijjani Muhammad-Bande

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