



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

29 January 2020

Excellency,

I refer to General Assembly resolution 70/202, entitled “Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States”, by which the General Assembly requested the President of the General Assembly to appoint two co-chairs to lead the Steering Committee on partnerships for SIDS, whose function it is “to support the follow-up of existing, and promote and advocate for the launching of, new small island developing States partnerships”.

In this regard, it is my pleasure to appoint H.E. Walton Alfonso Webson, Permanent Representative of Antigua and Barbuda to the United Nations, and H.E. Vanessa Frazier, Permanent Representative of Malta to the United Nations, as co-chairs of the Steering Committee on partnerships for SIDS.

I would like to thank Ambassador Webson and Ambassador Frazier for having accepted this very important responsibility. I trust that you will extend your full support and cooperation to them throughout the process.

I also avail myself of this opportunity to thank H.E. Geraldine Byrne Nason, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the United Nations, and H.E. Lois Young, Permanent Representative of Belize to the United Nations, for their able stewardship of the Steering Committee over the previous two sessions.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'T' followed by a flourish.

Tijjani Muhammad-Bande

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