5 March 2020

Excellency,

In light of the evolving situation of the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) around the world and its influence on the United Nations meetings, we are convening a joint informal meeting of the General Assembly and ECOSOC to hear a briefing by the Secretariat regarding measures to strengthen its preparedness and ensure business continuity at United Nations premises and of its operations at 10am on Tuesday, 10 March 2020, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber in UNHQ. We would encourage all participants to review the information available on COVID-19 on deleGATE website (https://www.un.int/), as well as the link to the Secretariat’s dedicated COVID-19 page therein.

We would also like to avail this opportunity to express our solidarity with Member States who are fighting COVID-19 and our sincere condolences for their loss, and call on all Member States to strive together in our joint efforts to fight the disease in the spirit of multilateralism to deliver for all.

Please accept Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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