Subject: Scope, modalities, format and organization of the summit on biodiversity

Excellency,

Reference is made to my letter dated 28 March 2020, placing draft resolution A/74/L.49 entitled, “Scope, modalities, format and organization of the summit on biodiversity”, under silence procedure until 31 March 2020, at 6 p.m., in accordance with General Assembly decision 74/544 of 27 March 2020 entitled, “Procedure for taking decisions of the General Assembly during the Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic”.

It is my pleasure to inform you that the silence procedure has concluded without objections. Accordingly, the resolution entitled “Scope, modalities, format and organization of the summit on biodiversity”, is considered adopted by the Assembly as resolution 74/269 and is in effect from 6:01 p.m. today, Tuesday 31 March 2020. We will take note of resolution 74/269 at the next plenary meeting of the General Assembly to be held at the United Nations Headquarters.

Also find enclosed the comments received from Member States regarding resolution 74/269.

I avail of this opportunity to express my solidarity with Member States who are fighting COVID-19 and extend my sincere condolences for their loss.

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

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