



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

2 April 2020

**Subject:** Draft resolution entitled “Declaration of solidarity of the United Nations in the face of the challenges posed by the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)” (A/74/L.51)

Excellency,

Reference is made to my letter dated 2 April 2020, extending the deadline for the consideration of the draft resolution entitled, “Declaration of solidarity of the United Nations in the face of the challenges posed by the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)”, issued as document A/74/L.51, under agenda item 126 [Global health and foreign policy], to Tuesday, 7 April 2020, at 6:00 p.m.

I wish to inform that the silence procedure was broken. Although, an extension was granted, subsequent consultations with several delegations clearly indicated that further time will not facilitate the resolution of the differences expressed. Thus, the silence procedure for the draft resolution contained in A/74/L.51, in accordance with General Assembly decision 74/544, has come to an end, effective immediately.

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.

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

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