



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

14 May 2020

**Subject:** Draft decision entitled “Seventh Biennial Meeting of States to Consider the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects” (A/74/L.62)

Excellency,

Sequel to my letter dated 11 May 2020, 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”, placing draft decision A/74/L.62 entitled, “Seventh Biennial Meeting of States to Consider the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects” under silence procedure until 14 May 2020, at 3 p.m., it is my pleasure to inform you that the silence procedure has concluded without objections.

Accordingly, the decision is considered adopted by the Assembly as decision 74/552 and is in effect from 3:01p.m. today, Thursday, 14 May 2020. The General Assembly will take note of decision 74/552 at its next plenary meeting to be held at the United Nations Headquarters.

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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