



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

14 May 2020

Subject: Draft decision entitled “Twenty-first meeting of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea” (A/74/L.63)

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.63 entitled “Twenty-first meeting of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea” under silence procedure until 14 May 2020, at 5 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 74/554 and is in effect from 5.01 p.m. today, Thursday, 14 May 2020. The General Assembly will take note of decision 74/554 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.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tijjani Muhammad-Bande'.

Tijjani Muhammad-Bande

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