

29 June 2020

Excellency,

I have the pleasure to transmit herewith a letter dated 29 June 2020 from H.E. Mr. Kaha Imnadze, Permanent Representative of Georgia, and H.E. Mr. Jean-Claude do Rego, Permanent Representative of Benin, the co-facilitators for the intergovernmental negotiations for the review process of the Economic and Social Council and the High-Level Political Forum as per General Assembly resolution 67/290 of 9 July 2013 entitled "Format and organizational aspects of the high-level political forum on sustainable development", resolution 70/299 of 29 July 2016 entitled "Follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the global level", as well as resolution 72/305 of 23 July 2018 entitled "Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 68/1 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council".

Further to correspondence of 12 June 2020, which informed of the virtual consultation to discuss the revised draft resolution for the HLPF/ECOSOC Review on 18 June 2020, the aforementioned letter informs of a virtual consultation to be convened on Thursday, 2 July 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Connection details for the meeting will be circulated by the Secretariat in the coming days.

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

Tijjani Muhammad-Bande

All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York



Permanent Mission of Georgia to the United Nations



Permanent Mission of the Republic of Benin to the United Nations

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Excellencies,

We are writing in our capacity as the co-facilitators for the intergovernmental negotiations for the review process of Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and the High-level Political Forum on sustainable development (HLPF).

We take this opportunity to express our gratitude for your contributions and active engagement during our Virtual Informal Consultations held on 18 June 2020. Further to our meeting, we have received a request from some delegations to give them more time to consult bilaterally with others to arrive at an agreement on the outstanding issues and also, to convene an additional informal meeting to finalize the draft.

We would like to recall that we had announced our intention to put under silence procedure a new draft based on the compilation text of 18 June 2020.

However, in the spirit of our commitment to work with all the Member States to overcome the remaining challenges and to submit for approval an agreeable outcomes document, we have decided to give this opportunity to the membership in holding the last virtual informal consultations on Thursday, 2 July 2020 at 11:00 am. The technical details for the virtual meeting will be provided by the Secretariat of United Nations in due course through the e-mail.

We count on your constructive engagement and reaffirm our commitment to an open, inclusive and transparent process.

Please accept, Excellencies, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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Kaha Imnadze Permanent Representative of Georgia to the United Nations

Jean-Claude do Rego Permanent Representative of Benin to the United Nations

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