



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

19 June 2020

**Subject:** Draft decision entitled “Procedure for taking decisions of the General Assembly, excluding elections, by a vote while a plenary meeting of the Assembly is not practicable owing to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic” (A/74/L.71)

Excellency,

Sequel to my letter dated 15 June 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” and decision 74/555 of 15 May 2020, entitled, “Extension of the procedure for taking decisions of the General Assembly during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic”, placing draft decision A/74/L.71 entitled “Procedure for taking decisions of the General Assembly, excluding elections, by a vote while a plenary meeting of the Assembly is not practice owing to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic” under silence procedure until 19 June 2020, at 10 a.m., I wish to inform that the silence procedure was broken.

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, cursive script.

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