

20 July 2020

Excellency,

I have the pleasure to transmit herewith, a letter dated 19 July 2020, from H.E. Mrs. Adela Raz, Permanent Representative of Afghanistan to the United Nations, and H.E. Mr. Ivan Simonovic, Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations, the co-coordinators for the General Assembly on COVID-19-related initiatives.

The aforementioned letter conveys the revised version of the proposed General Assembly draft omnibus resolution on the COVID-19 pandemic, and a compendium outlining the contributions received from Member States and groups after the last round of consultations.

The co-coordinators also invite you to a virtual town hall meeting on Friday, 24 July 2020, at 10:00 a.m. Member States are kindly encouraged to attend at the level of Permanent Representative/Deputy Permanent Representative. Details pertaining to the virtual arrangements for the meeting will be circulated in due course.

I avail myself 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.

Tijjani Muhammad-Bande

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





New York, 20 July 2020

Excellency,

We have the honour to write to you in our capacity as co-coordinators of the General Assembly on COVID-19-related initiatives. We would like to reiterate our appreciation to you and your Mission for your participation in this process.

Attached to this letter is the rev. 3 draft for the proposed UNGA omnibus resolution on the COVID-19 pandemic. The revised draft is carefully developed in line with Member States' written and oral contributions, as well as recommendations from groups of Member States and experts within the UN System. It attempts to balance all aspects of the multifaceted crisis and to provide compromise solutions to difficult issues. We are deeply grateful to all Member States and other stakeholders for their feedback and support to the co-coordinators in the development of the revised draft.

In order to ensure transparency, inclusiveness and dialogue among all stakeholders, attached you will also find the compendium containing written contributions received from either Member States or their groups after the consultations on the rev. 2 draft.

To continue our discussions and the virtual negotiations of the resolution, we have the pleasure of inviting you to the 6th and hopefully last virtual town hall on this resolution on **Friday, 24 July 2020, at 10:00 a.m.** We are finalizing the drafting of this resolution, so we are not suggesting providing any further written comments and proposals on the rev. 3 draft. Therefore, we are inviting Member States to be present at the Town hall at the level of **Permanent or Deputy Permanent Representatives** and to actively discuss ways to finalize the adoption the resolution, how to **implement it** and to, if needed, raise specific issues if they intend to **break the silence procedure** over them. We also hope that there will be further progress on the agreed language on climate change that we will be able to reflect in text of the resolution before putting it into the silence procedure. The Secretariat will share an information note providing guidance on how to join the virtual meeting in the coming days.

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

H.E. Mrs. Adela Raz,

Permanent Representative of Afghanistan

to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Ivan Šimonović,

Permanent Representative of Croatia

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