

3 July 2020

Excellency,

Reference is made to my previous correspondence, particularly to my letters of 26 June and 1 July 2020, regarding the final draft Declaration for the Commemoration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the United Nations.

As announced, the co-facilitators overseeing the process and myself, have consulted further in order to find a solution concerning the required clarification of a particular element of the final draft Declaration, which was of concern to one Member State. I have the honour to hereby propose the following complementary factual formulation for the sentence at stake:

"We need to immediately curb greenhouse gas emissions and achieve sustainable consumption and production patterns in line with applicable State commitments to the Paris Agreement and in line with the 2030 agenda".

In light of the urgency to close the intergovernmental negotiations in accordance with General Assembly resolution 73/299, I, herewith, place the enclosed final draft Declaration under silence procedure until Monday, 6 July 2020, at 3:00 p.m.

I, once again, very warmly thank the co-facilitators and Member States for their constructive engagement and converging efforts to achieve an excellent outcome document, in line with the mandate calling for a concise, substantive, forward-looking and unifying Declaration.

I appeal to all delegations to conclude this process on a text, which already enjoys consensus on all its other elements, in order to have the draft Declaration ready for adoption and conveyed for that purpose to the seventy-fifth session of the General Assembly.

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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