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Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to General Assembly resolution 74/298 of 12 August 2020 entitled “Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 67/290 on the high-level political forum on sustainable development, resolution 70/299 on the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the global level and resolution 72/305 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council”.

In this regard, I have the pleasure to inform you that I have decided to appoint H.E. Mr. Alexander Marschik, Permanent Representative of Austria and H.E. Mr. Cheikh Niang, Permanent Representative of Senegal to co-facilitate the intergovernmental negotiations related to this important process.

Member States will recall that the General Assembly decided that the review shall take into account the different and particular impact of the COVID-19 pandemic across all Sustainable Development Goals, consider progress in implementing the 2030 Agenda in its entirety and address the interlinkages between Goals, to promote integrated actions cutting across the three dimensions of sustainable development that can create co-benefits, address synergies and trade-offs and meet multiple objectives in a coherent manner, leaving no one behind. The General Assembly also decided that the review shall cover the targets of the Sustainable Development Goals with a 2020 timeline.

As I have stated previously, it is important to continue to explore ways to conduct all meetings mandated to the General Assembly in person. At the same time, the General Assembly must be able to perform its duties in any given circumstance. I will work with co-facilitators and Member States to ensure necessary support to avoid disruptions to this critical work.

I would like to thank Ambassador Marschik and Ambassador Niang for having accepted this very important responsibility. I trust that you will extend your full support and cooperation to them throughout the process.

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



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