



3 March 2021

Excellency,

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 75/237 of 31 December 2020, I have the honour to inform you that I will convene a commemorative plenary meeting of the General Assembly to mark the International Day of the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on Friday, 19 March 2021, at 10:00 a.m., in the General Assembly Hall.

As per operative paragraph 42 of General Assembly resolution 75/237, the meeting will focus on the midterm review of the International Decade for People of African Descent. Further information, including the programme of the meeting, will be circulated in due course.

In keeping with the decision of the General Assembly 75/501 of 18 September 2020, on the format of such meetings, Member States are encouraged to deliver regional statements during the commemorative meeting.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Volkan Bozkir", is written above the printed name.

Volkan BOZKIR

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