Excellency,

I am writing in reference to the intergovernmental negotiations for the review process of the Economic and Social Council and the High-level Political Forum as per 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”.

The co-facilitators, H.E. Mr. Alexander Marschik, Permanent Representative of Austria and H.E. Mr. Cheikh Niang, Permanent Representative of Senegal, have briefed me on the status of the negotiations, stressing the active participation of many delegations throughout the consultations. I was also briefed on the drafts to be placed under silence procedure.

I am writing to appeal to you to show maximum flexibility and exercise the spirit of compromise on the text prepared by the co-facilitators to reach a consensual outcome. This would demonstrate that the international community is united and determined to support and strengthen the role of multilateralism and the UN in those times of crisis. I count on your support and flexibility.

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

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