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Excellency,

I have the pleasure to invite you to an informal plenary meeting of the General Assembly to hold a concluding discussion on the follow-up to the declaration on the commemoration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the United Nations. The meeting will be held ahead of the presentation of the Secretary-General’s recommendations to advance our common agenda and to respond to current and future challenges, which is due to take place before the end of the seventy-fifth session of the General Assembly.

Since initiating this dialogue of the General Assembly with the Secretary-General in December 2020, several tracks of dialogues and reflections have taken place over the following months, with the active participation and contributions by Member States. I have invited the Secretary-General to share with us his outlook on the results of those dialogues, the process and the steps ahead, while engaging in our discussion. The time has come to pull the strings together and start elaborating operational conclusions, as the General Assembly will keep actively engaged in that process in the months ahead.

The meeting will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, 8 July 2021, in the General Assembly Hall, UN Headquarters. Please note that there will not be a pre-established list of speakers for this meeting. In order to allow for maximum participation of delegations, interventions should be limited to 3 minutes for individual delegations and 5 minutes for statements made on behalf of groups of states.

For further inquiries, your office may contact my Special Adviser, Mr. Alexandre Stutzmann (alexandre.stutzmann@un.org) or my Senior Adviser, Mrs. Inga Kanchaveli (inga.kanchaveli@un.org). Should time not allow for all delegations to speak, written statements can be forwarded to the latter for subsequent information of the Secretary-General.

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

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