



PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

17 December 2021

Excellency,

As announced in my letter dated 9 December 2021, I will convene a one-day High-level Thematic Debate entitled “**Galvanising Momentum for Universal Vaccination**”, on Thursday, 13 January 2022, with the plenary segment held in the General Assembly Hall and the high-level round tables in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The list of speakers for the plenary segment will open for inscription on Monday, 18 December 2021 at 10 a.m. until Friday, 7 January 2022, at 5 p.m. Member States are encouraged to participate in the plenary segment at the Heads of State and Government or Ministerial level. For inscribing on the list of speakers, please contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (email: galindo@un.org with copy to gaspeakerslist@un.org). The *time limit* for statements will be three minutes for individual delegations and five minutes for statements delivered on behalf of groups of States.

The list of speakers will be established in accordance with established practices of the General Assembly. The provisional list of speakers, to be circulated on Tuesday, 11 January 2022, will be determined on a first-come, first-served basis, based on the level of representation. In view of the limited time available for the plenary segment, the texts of statements submitted by speakers inscribed on the list that are not delivered by the end of the meeting will be posted on “eStatements” in the Journal of the United Nations. In this regard, delegations are encouraged to send their statements to estatements@un.org to facilitate interpretation and for posting on “eStatements”. Also, in view of the limited time available, pre-recorded statements will be played without introductions by a representative physically present in the room. Pre-recorded statements submitted by speakers inscribed on the list that are not delivered by the end of the meeting will be posted on a dedicated webpage for this event.



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The link to upload the video files will be provided on the e-deleGATE portal under “General Assembly/Plenary/Plenary Place”. I would like to emphasize the importance of submitting the video at least **four days in advance of the date that the statement is scheduled to be played**, that is **by Friday, 7 January 2022**. In cases of any recording anomalies (such as low speaking volume, noisy background, unclear diction, background music, etc.), delegations may be requested to provide a revised recording to remedy the anomalies, in order that interpretation services could then be delivered. The guidelines for submission of pre-recorded statements are attached.

For further information on the meeting, you may contact **Ms Zeena Didi** (zeena.didi@un.org), Team Lead, Humanitarian and **Ms Isabel Avomo Sima** (Isabel.avomosima@un.org), in my Office.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Abdulla Shahid', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Abdulla SHAHID

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