



PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

21 January 2022

Excellency,

Further to my letter dated 29 December 2021, I have the honour to convey that after careful consideration and consultations, I have decided to hold the High-Level Thematic Debate entitled “**Galvanising Momentum for Universal Vaccination**” on **Friday, 25 February 2022**. The plenary segment and the high-level round table discussions will be taking place in the General Assembly Hall. Please find attached the preliminary program.

The list of speakers for the plenary segment will remain open for inscription until Thursday, 17 February 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 Friday, 18 February 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 estatemnts@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.

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, 18 February 2022**. Please note that provision of live interpretation will be subject to fulfilment of the audio-visual guidelines. 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 queries and further information, you may contact Ms Zeena Didi (zeena.didi@un.org) Team Lead, Humanitarian and Ms Isabel Avomo Sima (Isabel.avomosima@un.org), Adviser at my Office.

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



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