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Excellency,

Further to my letter dated 26 January 2022, regarding the **Board of Advisers for LLS** - Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs), and Small Island Developing States (SIDS), I have the pleasure to share a summary of discussions of the second meeting of the Board held at United Nations Headquarters on Wednesday, 9 February 2022.

The need to address debt challenges, unlock new and smart financing mechanisms for sustainable development, and to ensure equal and universal access to vaccines in the LDCs, LLDCs and SIDS to meet the promises made by the global community became more apparent. The need for a well functioning multilateral approach by the UN system, a fair global financial system that supports the needs of developing countries to close funding gaps, and to prioritize financing support to LLS countries was highlighted. In this regard, I look forward to your full support in leveraging efforts to ensure fairness and inclusivity by leaving no one behind.

For further information pertaining to the Board of Advisers, your office may contact Mr. Shaoxuan Liu (shaoxuan.liu@un.org) and Ms. Feryal Almuharraqi (feryal.almuharraqi@un.org) Advisers at my office.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration

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To all Permanent Representatives
And Permanent Observers
to the United Nations