



PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

20 May 2022

Excellency,

Further to my letter earlier today regarding the final draft declaration Declaration for the 2022 United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development, I would like to inform that the **silence procedure on the draft declaration has been broken.**

In this regard, I have the honour to circulate herewith a letter dated 20 May 2022 from H.E Ms. Keisha A. McGuire, Permanent Representative of Grenada, and H.E Mr. Martin Bille Hermann, Permanent Representative of Denmark, co-facilitators for the intergovernmental consultations on the Declaration. The co-facilitators will inform delegations about next steps in due course.

I take this opportunity to reiterate my call for all delegations to engage constructively and support the work of co-facilitators in this process.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Abdulla Shahid', with a horizontal line underneath.

Abdulla SHAHID

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And Permanent Observers to the United Nations  
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