

His Excellency Abdulla Shahid  
President of the 76<sup>th</sup> session of the United Nations General Assembly  
New York

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Excellency,

As you are well aware of it, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 58/126, entitled "*Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly*", the President-elect of the General Assembly suggests an issue, or issues, of global concern upon which Member States will be invited to comment during the general debate at the forthcoming session of the Assembly.

After taking into account the views provided by Member States and following consultations with the incumbent President and the Secretary-General, I have decided that the theme of the 77<sup>th</sup> session of the General Assembly, including the general debate, will be:

**"A watershed moment: transformative solutions to interlocking challenges"**

The theme stems from the recognition that we are at a critical moment in the history of the United Nations as a result of complex and interconnected crises, including the Covid-19 pandemic, the war in Ukraine, humanitarian challenges of unprecedented nature, a tipping point in climate change as well as growing concerns about threats to our global economy. Our responsibility is to find joint solutions to these crises and build a more sustainable and resilient world for us and the generations to come. As President of the General Assembly, my commitment will be to drive the work of the Assembly through solidarity, sustainability and science towards solutions that have meaningful impacts on the lives of the people and our planet.

I would encourage Member States to reflect on how we can collectively address these interlinking challenges and develop transformative solutions to them during the upcoming session of the General Assembly.

I would be most grateful if you kindly circulated this letter to all Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations.

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



Csaba Körösi  
President-elect of the 77<sup>th</sup> session of the  
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