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Excellency,

Pursuant to my letter dated 1 October 2021, regarding my intention to continue the practice of holding informal discussions with Permanent Representatives under the banner "Holhuashi Dialogues", I have the honour to circulate herewith, the summary of the 9th Dialogue on the topic, "Greening the Blue – How the UN System Secures Coherence Between Words and Actions in Fighting Global Warming" on Thursday 9 June 2022.

If the UN system is to truly "walk the talk" and meet the climate, biodiversity, and other environmental targets set out, a concerted effort between the UN and Member States is necessary to accelerate the uptake and roll-out of system-wide improvements to data collection, reporting, procurement, facility operations, and innovation for more resource-efficient ways of working.

In this regard, I invite all delegations to consider the sustainability practices in your own offices, and in your daily operations. I also encourage Member States to visit the Greening the Blue website (https://www.greeningtheblue.org/) and its resources, including the Greening the Blue Tutorial (https://www.greeningtheblue.org/tutorial), to learn about possible solutions and raise awareness amongst their staff.

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

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