



PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1 September 2023

Excellency,

I have the honour to write to you regarding the upcoming high-level week of the 78<sup>th</sup> session from 18 to 23 September and 26 September 2023. Along with the General Debate, the General Assembly has mandated seven additional high-level meetings.

For each of these high-level meetings, many delegations have inscribed to speak. To meet this demand, the Secretariat has informed me that additional interpretation resources have been identified for the following meetings:

- High-level dialogue on financing for development – an additional hour for the morning meeting to run from 9.00am to 1.00pm.
- Preparatory ministerial meeting for the Summit of the Future – will run from 9.00am to 6.00pm continuously
- High-level meeting on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response – the plenary segment will run from 10.30am to 6.00pm continuously (following the opening segment from 10.00 to 10.30 am)
- High-level meeting on universal health coverage – the plenary segment will run from 10.30am to 6.00pm continuously (following the opening segment from 10.00 to 10.30 am)
- High-level meeting on the fight against tuberculosis – the plenary segment will run from 10.30am to 6.00pm continuously (following the opening segment from 10.00 to 10.30 am)

Even with the additional meeting time, it will be difficult to exhaust the list of speakers for each of these high-level meetings, and no additional meeting time will be available. In this regard, I remind you that national statements for all high-level meetings during the week are **limited to three minutes**.



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I strongly urge you to inform your capitals of the time limit for statements now, well in advance of the meetings, so that statements can be prepared accordingly. It is essential that speakers stick to the three minute time limit to allow as many speakers as possible to deliver their statements during these important meetings. Statements of inscribed speakers that were not delivered by the scheduled end of the meeting will be published in the eStatements section of the Journal of the United Nations provided that they are duly submitted.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Csaba Kőrösi', is positioned above the printed name.

Csaba KŐRÖSI

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