

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Guinea to the United Nations



Permanent Mission of the Republic of Latvia to the United Nations

11 January 2024

Excellencies,

We write to you in our capacity as co-facilitators of the intergovernmental process to review the arrangements contained in General Assembly resolutions 75/290 A and 75/290 B and their annexes on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council and the review of the High-level Political Forum on sustainable development.

In its resolutions 75/290 A and B, the General Assembly decided to conduct reviews of the arrangements contained therein during its seventy-eighth session, in conjunction with each other. Member States underscored the need to benefit from lessons learned from relevant processes under the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, related to the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda, as well as from previous cycles of the high-level political forum on sustainable development.

We are honored by the decision of the President of the General Assembly to appoint us to co-facilitate the intergovernmental negotiations related to this important process and refer to his letter of 10 October 2023. We look forward to cooperating with you in an open, inclusive and transparent manner.

In this regard, we would like to inform you of our intent to provide sufficient time for the full consideration of the issues related to the review, to allow for its timely completion and to avoid competing with other important processes to take place in the first half of 2024. Our intention is to start the process of informal consultations with Member States at the beginning of February and finalize the negotiations by the end of April or early May.

We wish to invite you to the first informal consultation on Thursday, 15 February 2024, at 10:00 am in the ECOSOC Chamber. The objective of the first informal consultation will be to provide you with an outline of our proposed approach, timeline and plans for consultations over the coming months. Delegations will also be invited to make brief, general interventions on the substantive issues that they would like to see reflected in a zero draft.

We also wish to inform you of the second informal consultation, which will be convened on Thursday, 7 March 2024, also at 10:00 am in the ECOSOC Chamber. Due to scheduling constraints and other meetings and processes, interpretation for both the first and second consultations will be on an "as available" basis.

We very much look forward to hearing your views and to working closely with you in the months ahead. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any concerns or questions regarding the process. We welcome your active engagement, and we will strive to provide the best possible support for your deliberations.

Please accept, Excellencies, the assurances of our highest consideration.

H.E. Mr. Paul Goa Zoumanigui Permanent Representative of the Republic of Guinea H.E. Ms. Sanita Pavluta-Deslandes Permanent Representative of the Republic of Latvia

Mmuly

Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York