

Buan-Ionad na hÉireann chun na Náisiún Aontaithe Permanent Mission of Ireland to the United Nations



8 June 2023

Excellency,

We are writing to you in our capacity as co-facilitators appointed by the President of the 77th Session of the General Assembly to conduct consultations on the political declaration as the mandated outcome of the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) when it meets under the auspices of the General Assembly in September 2023, during the United Nations General Assembly high-level week.

We thank delegations for your constructive engagement during the informal consultations on 2 June. We are heartened that the zero draft was overwhelmingly acknowledged as a sound basis for the negotiations. We thank delegations for their ambitious, focussed, and forward-looking reactions to the zero draft. We are also grateful for the detailed written inputs delegations shared with us.

We are pleased to share with delegations a revised draft based on all written inputs received from Member States and comments provided at our last consultations. The revisions made to section three of the draft are based on written inputs from delegations only, given that we did not at our last consultations have a full discussion of this section.

In preparing the draft, we have sought to reflect the breadth of the inputs received, guided by our shared commitment to concise, action-oriented, and forwarding looking declaration that steers clear of divisive and contentious issues. We have been mindful about using language that is appropriate for a political declaration to be adopted by leaders.

We will present the draft to delegations at 10:00 a.m. on Friday 9 June, in the ECOSOC Chamber. We will at our meeting also outline a road map for our work going forward. We remain at the disposal of delegations throughout this process. We continue to count on your steadfast support and collaboration as we move forward to achieve an ambitious, impactful, and consensual political declaration.

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

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