



PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to General Assembly resolution 70/299 of 29 July 2016 entitled “Follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the global level”, by which the General Assembly recalls its decision to convene meetings of the high-level political forum under the auspices of the General Assembly and under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council and have only one negotiated political declaration, covering the different and complementary functions of both sessions when the forum is convened twice in the same year.

In line with resolution 75/290B of 25 June 2021, the high-level political forum under the auspices of the General Assembly (the Sustainable Development Goals Summit) will be held during high-level week in September 2023.

In this regard, I have the further honour to inform you that I have appointed H.E. Fergal Mythen, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the United Nations and H.E. Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani, Permanent Representative of Qatar to the United Nations as co-facilitators to lead consultations on political declaration for the SDG Summit during the 77th session.

The Summit will constitute the mid-point review of the implementation of the 17 Goals. My vision for the Summit is one of a meeting that serves to accelerate implementation at all levels. It is my true conviction that such a transformative agenda must be based on scientific evidence and data, and I would strongly encourage Member States to consider, during their consultations, all that science can offer to build a shared knowledge base and bring a common understanding.

In this regard, I invite the co-facilitators to ensure that all relevant stakeholders participate and engage meaningfully in this process.

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The General Assembly requested that the Sustainable Development Goals Summit be well coordinated with, and complementary to, the Summit of the Future. Therefore, I intend to invite the co-facilitators to brief the General Committee on a regular basis to ensure coherence and coordination between the preparations for these two summits as well as the other co-facilitated processes underway this session.

I would like to thank Ambassador Fergal Mythen and Ambassador Sheikha Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani for having accepted this very important responsibility. I trust that you will extend your full support and cooperation to them throughout the negotiation process.

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



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