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## Preparatory Process for the Summit of the Future

Excellency,

Dear Colleagues,

The second reading of the Pact for the Future concluded on 3 April. We want to extend our sincere gratitude to all delegations for their active participation. Despite the complexity and scale of the task, the second reading has deepened understanding between delegations and fostered convergence on many issues.

As we proceed with preparations for a revised text (Rev.1) of the Pact for the Future, we cordially invite you to a

### Closed Informal Consultation at Ambassadorial Level

**April 16, 3-6 pm, Conference Room 2**

The aim of this consultation is to review and assess the discussions held during the second reading and to foster a collective understanding of the way forward.

In advance of the meeting, allow us to share what we see as the principles and methodology for the revision of the Pact and the conduct of upcoming consultations.

Key principles:

- **Upholding of our previously agreed commitment to a concise, action-oriented outcome document:** In keeping with the Summit of the Future Modalities Resolution (76/307), we aim to agree by consensus on a document that is concise and action-oriented. Our vision is a Pact similar in length to the zero draft we circulated on 29 January.
- **A strategic Pact appropriate for Heads of State and Government:** Our objective is to produce a strategic, high-level political outcome document that is appropriate for the consideration of Heads of States and Government.
- **High ambition with actionable deliverables:** We strive for a document that exhibits a high level of ambition and features actionable deliverables to reinvigorate multilateralism and boost the implementation of existing commitments.
- **Clarity and trust-building language:** We aim to use clear and compelling language that fosters trust in the UN. This is especially true for the Chapeau, which will be negotiated once there is greater clarity on the content of the chapters, but it should also hold true for the chapters.

Methodology for the revision of the Pact:

- **Streamlined text to avoid duplication and reaffirmations:** We will eliminate redundancies and duplication both across and within chapters. To ensure that the Pact is operational, concise and transformative, we aim to minimize reaffirmations and reiterations of existing positions and

references to existing resolutions. We will also minimize the use of previously agreed language and take a judicious approach to the level of technical detail in the Pact.

- **Text editing free-of-attribution during the third reading:** To instill a spirit of compromise and ensure that negotiations focus on substance, we will not attribute language proposals to individual delegations.

In our future consultations, we request that all Member States commit to:

- **Discipline and focus on key priorities:** We commit to exercising discipline, fostering trust, and maintaining focus on key priorities and high-level commitments, while avoiding unnecessary digressions into details.
- **Compromise:** Recognizing the diverse perspectives involved, we acknowledge that compromise will be required from all sides to achieve consensus.

We look forward to exploring these principles and methodology together to chart a path forward that reflects our shared commitment to a meaningful and ambitious Pact for the Future.

We will keep you informed about the date of release of the Rev. 1 as well as its presentation. We will provide a more detailed roadmap in due course, but would kindly request that you reserve the following tentative dates for the third reading:

- May 13-15 (*subject to release date of Rev. 1*)
- May 28-30
- June 3-5
- June 10-12
- June 18-19
- June 24, 25 and 27
- July 1-3

Please note that these dates are subject to updates and adaptations as needed. We will ensure continuous communication to keep you informed of any changes.

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

Sincerely,



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