



**The President
of the
Economic and Social Council**

18 June 2015

Excellency,

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of the draft ministerial declaration of the High-level Segment of the 2015 Economic and Social Council, and the high-level political forum on sustainable development convened under the auspices of the Council.

In proposing the draft, I have canvassed the views of many delegations and of the co-facilitators of the current General Assembly intergovernmental negotiations. The general views that I have gathered led to my conviction that the outcome of the High-level Segment and the high-level political forum this year should carefully balance the need to be faithful to the mandates of General Assembly resolutions 67/290 and 68/1, but take into account the realities and dynamics of the ongoing General Assembly negotiations.

The draft that I am proposing is largely procedural. Summaries of the High-level Segment and the high-level political forum will be issued covering the substantive discussions taking place during the meetings. I would cherish your cooperation under these unique circumstances and appeal to you to endorse the text for adoption, on the understanding that it does not create a precedent for future outcomes of the High-level Segment of the Economic and Social Council and the high-level political forum on sustainable development convened under the auspices of the Council.

I have the pleasure also to enclose the draft annotated integrated programme for your benefit.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sajdik".

Martin Sajdik
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary

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