



19 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 reiterate our sincere gratitude to delegations for the favourable response to the presentation on Friday, 9 June of the revised zero draft of the political declaration. We highly appreciate your valuable inputs and continued constructive engagement.

We wish to refer to our most recent letter of 14 June, where we extended the date of submission of written inputs, in the form of focused amendments, bearing in mind the nature of the political declaration by Heads of State and Government, to the end of the day on Thursday, 22 June.

We are writing in follow up to confirm that our next informal consultations will take place on Wednesday, 21 June, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber in both the morning and afternoon. We have also set aside the morning of Thursday, 22 June, also in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to allow further time as required for a substantive discussion.

We look forward to listening to delegations at our next informal consultations during the morning and afternoon on Wednesday, 21 June, and the morning of 22 June. During these consultations, on Section III of the revised zero draft we would like to propose that, to facilitate focus, that we consider the Section according to the following sub-sections: opening (paragraphs 35-37(h)); climate/biodiversity/desertification/oceans (paragraphs 37(i)-37(m)); STI/data/policy integration (paragraphs 37(n) - 37(q)); financing/MOI (paragraph 37(r) and the roman numerical sub-paragraphs); and the closing section (paragraphs 38-42).

We wish to thank delegations that have provided their written proposed amendments thus far and look forward to receiving your proposed amendments that will be forthcoming. These written inputs can be sent to Mr. Abdulrahman Al-Thani (SDGSUMMIT2023@mofa.gov.qa) and Mr. James Mulligan (james.mulligan@dfa.ie), with copy to Mr. Eric Olson (olsone@un.org).

We are grateful to delegations for your constructive engagement. We continue to be guided by our shared interest in a concise, action-oriented, and consensual text and will rely on your steadfast support and collaboration. We remain at the disposal of delegations throughout this process.

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

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