

**DRAFT SPEECH FOR THE HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM ON
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THE FRAMEWORK OF ECOSOC (HLPF)**

Theme of the Forum Declaration: "Accelerated action and transformative pathways: realizing the decade of action and delivery of Sustainable Development"

Topic of the speech: "Post COVID-19 Multilateralism: What kind of UN do we need after the 75th anniversary?"

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3 minutes**

Thank you very much Madam President,
Distinguished representatives of the Member States.

This year, we celebrate the 75th Anniversary of our Organization, with satisfaction for the achievements made in various areas, but also with great expectation for the great challenges that we must face to address the health emergency caused by the coronavirus pandemic and its subsequent consequences.

If 75 years ago the world needed a pact for international peace and security, today it urgently requires a pact for the survival, health and well-being of the peoples of the world.

The COVID-19 pandemic has shown us how vulnerable we are and how necessary mutual cooperation is to successfully deal with its consequences.

Today multilateralism is more important than ever, because only in a global framework of cooperation can we succeed in the current situation and the task ahead. and so that the United Nations Organization can face the new challenges and work in a "new normal".

Economic recovery is essential to guarantee social welfare. It is necessary to promote international solidarity and joint work of the multilateral system to achieve effective and efficient action.

We consider it urgent to guarantee universal access to the COVID-19 vaccine, share effective treatments and close the technological gap to achieve equitable and balanced sustainable development among its three pillars without leaving anyone behind. We must agree on a new roadmap that will allow the "Sustainable Development Goals" to be reimplemented on the basis of cooperation and respect between States, including a new Agreement for the treatment of bilateral and multilateral External Debt.

My country ratifies its commitment to the principles of multilateralism and pledges to work together to achieve what we set out to do 5 years ago with the 2030 Agenda, bearing in mind that the decade of action is ahead.

Thank you very much!

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