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Excellency,

I would like to refer to my letter of 4 October 2021 where I informed Member States of the list of countries that will present a Voluntary National Review (VNRs) at the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF), under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council in 2022.

Since that letter, a number of other countries expressed their wish to present their VNRs for the first time at the HLPF. I believe that they should be accommodated, especially in this new cycle of the HLPF and recalling my intent to give priority to those that have not yet presented a VNR or those that presented only once some time ago.

I am therefore pleased to inform you of the following final list of 45 countries: Andorra*, Argentina**, Belarus*, Botswana*, Cameroon*, Comoros*, Côte d'Ivoire*, Djibouti, Dominica, Equatorial Guinea, El Salvador*, Eritrea, Eswatini*, Ethiopia*, Gabon, Gambia*, Ghana*, Greece*, Grenada, Guinea-Bissau, Italy*, Jamaica*, Jordan*, Kazakhstan*, Latvia*, Lesotho*, Liberia*, Luxembourg*, Malawi*, Mali*, Montenegro*, the Netherlands*, Pakistan*, the Philippines**, São Tomé and Príncipe, Senegal*, Somalia, Sri Lanka*, Sudan*, Suriname, Switzerland**, Togo***, Tuvalu, United Arab Emirates*, Uruguay*** (<u>Note</u>: Countries with one asterisk * are second timers, those with two asterisks ** are third timers, those with three asterisks *** are presenting for the fourth time, while those without asterisks are presenting for the first time).

I would like to thank the above-mentioned countries for their interest in conducting voluntary national reviews in 2022. The list for the 2022 HLPF is hereby closed.

I wish to invite other interested countries to consider expressing their interest in presenting VNRs in 2023 or subsequent years with the understanding that priority will be given to those countries presenting for the first time.

I look forward to working closely with all of you in preparing for a successful 2022 meeting of the HLPF.

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

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