



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

11 July 2024

Excellency,

I wish to express my sincere appreciation for your active and constructive engagement in the negotiations on the ministerial declaration of the 2024 ECOSOC High-level segment and HLPF under the auspices of ECOSOC.

I am sincerely thankful to the Co-facilitators, H.E. Mr. Jose Blanco of the Dominican Republic and H.E. Ms. Merete Brattested of Norway, for their steadfast and professional stewardship of this process. Following open, transparent and inclusive consultations under their leadership, I have been informed that the co-facilitators have had follow-up bilateral consultations on the text after silence procedure was broken on 10 July 2024.

After careful consideration, they have submitted to me the attached text, which I hereby have the honour transmit to you as the final draft ministerial declaration. I believe the text strikes a balance in representing a range of views and am submitting the attached text for processing and subsequent action at the closing meeting of the HLPF on 17 July 2024 and at the closing meeting of the High-level Segment of ECOSOC on 18 July 2024.

This is a pivotal moment for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. The final draft ministerial declaration presents an avenue to demonstrate the political will to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals for the benefit of the people. The final draft builds on the SDG Summit political declaration, looks towards the Summit of the Future and ensures a common understanding among Member States to advance transformative actions to achieve the SDGs leading up to 2030.

I invite all delegations to show utmost flexibility with a view to agree on an outcome document, thereby sending a strong positive signal on SDG achievement.

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

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Paula Narváez
President of ECOSOC

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