

THE PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY



THE PRESIDENT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

14 November 2019

Excellency,

Reference is made to the letter dated 3 June 2019, co-signed by the President of the General Assembly at its 73rd session, and the President of the Economic and Social Council at its 2019 session, regarding the establishment of an *Informal Group of Friends* of the Voluntary National Reviews, Follow-up and Review of the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF).

In this regard, we are pleased to inform you that the Group of Friends will continue its work under the leadership of H.E. Mr Juan Sandoval Mendiolea, Deputy Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations.

The Group will continue to support the countries presenting Voluntary National Reviews at the July 2020 session of the HLPF. Also, the Group's work will be useful in the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 67/290 and 70/299, particularly in relation to the format and organisational aspects of the HLPF.

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

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