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Excellency,

I am writing in relation to voluntary national reviews at the 2019 high-level political forum on sustainable development (HLPF) convened under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council and in reference to my letter of 30 July 2018 that the number of VNR countries for 2019 cannot exceed 42.

Based on the formal requests received, I would like to inform you that the following countries will be conducting voluntary national reviews at the 2019 HLPF for the first time: Algeria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Eritrea, Fiji, Ghana, Iceland, Israel, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lesotho, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mongolia, Nauru, New Zealand, Oman, Pakistan, Palau, Saint Lucia, Serbia, South Africa, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, and Vanuatu.

The following countries will be conducting voluntary national reviews at the 2019 HLPF for the second time: Azerbaijan, Chile, France, Guatemala, Indonesia, Philippines and Sierra Leone.

I would like to thank the above-mentioned countries for their interest in conducting voluntary national reviews in 2019. The list for the 2019 HLPF is hereby closed.

I wish to invite interested countries to consider expressing their interest in presenting VNRs in 2020 or subsequent years with the understanding that priority will be given to those countries presenting for the first time.

I look forward to working with all of you in allowing for well-organized VNR presentations at the 2019 meeting of the high-level political forum on sustainable development, under the auspices of ECOSOC.

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

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