

15 September 2020

Excellency,

Sequel to the letter dated 10 September, I am pleased to share the updated programme and list of speakers for the Summit on Biodiversity to be held 30 September 2020. The updated list of speakers for the Plenary and Leaders Dialogues reflects the latest status of registration and changes in the level of participating Member States for the Summit on Biodiversity.

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

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All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York

PROGRAMME SUMMIT ON BIODIVERSITY WEDNESDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

10.00 -	OPENING SEGMENT		
10.50	Opening and Welcome Remarks		
	H.E. Mr. Volkan Bozkir		
	President of the 75 th session of the General Assembly		
	Statement		
	H.E. Mr. António Guterres		
	Secretary-General, United Nations		
	Statement		
	H.E. Mr. Munir Akram		
	President of Economic and Social Council		
	Statement		
	H.E. Mr. Abdel Fattah Al Sisi		
	President of the Arab Republic of Egypt		
	Host of the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the		
	Convention on Biological Diversity		
	Statement		
	H.E. Mr. Xi Jinping		
	President of the People's Republic of China		
	Host of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the		
	Convention on Biological Diversity		
	OPENING SEGMENT		
	Fireside Chat		
	Moderator		
	Mr. Achim Steiner, UNDP Administrator		
	Ms. Inger Andersen		
	Executive Director, UN Environment Programme (UNEP)		
	Ms. Elizabeth Maruma Mrema		
	Executive Secretary, Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)		

	 Ms. Ana María Hernández Salgar Chair, Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and
	Ecosystem Services (IPBES)
	Statement from Eminent Person
	HRH Prince Charles
	Prince of Wales
	Prince of Wales Conservation Trust
	Statement from Youth Representative
	Ms. Archana Soreng
	Indigenous Youth
	UN Secretary-General's Youth Advisory Group on Climate Change
	Close of the Opening Segment
10.50 –	PLENARY
13.00	 Statements delivered on behalf of groups of Member States (5 minutes each)
	 Statements delivered in national capacity, members of the specialized agencies, parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity and observers of the General Assembly (3 minutes each)
15.00 - 16.15	Leaders Dialogue 1 – Addressing biodiversity loss and mainstreaming biodiversity for sustainable development
	Co-Chairs: • H.E. Ms. Angela Merkel, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany
	H. E. Mr. Imran Khan, Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan
	Participating States to deliver statements
	Mr. Qu Dongyu, Director General, Food and Agricultural Organization
	Ms. Audrey Azoulay, Director-General, UNESCO
	Dr. Bruno Oberle, Director General, International Union for Conservation of Nature
	Ms. Gabriel Cuevas Barron, President, International Parliamentary
	Union
1	 Mr. Pavan Sukhdev, President, WWF International

16.15 – 17.30	Leaders Dialogue 2: Harnessing science, technology and innovation, capacity building, access and benefit-sharing, financing and partnerships for biodiversity
	 Co-Chairs: H.E. Ms. Isabella Lövin, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Environment and Climate, Sweden (TBC)
	Participating States to deliver statements Mr. Guy Byder, Director General International Labour Organization
	 Mr. Guy Ryder, Director-General, International Labour Organization Mr. David Malpass, President, World Bank Group
	Mr. Thomas Buberl, CEO, AXA Group
	Ms. Shinta Kamdani, CEO, Sintasa Group
	 Ms. Valerie Plante, Mayor of Montreal, Canada and Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI) Global Ambassador
	Ms. Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim, Indigenous Leaders, SDG Advocate
17.30-18.00	CLOSING SEGMENT
	Musical Presentation
	H.E. Ms. Amina Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General
	 Closing Remarks H.E. Mr. Volkan Bozkir, President of the 75th session of the General Assembly

SUMMIT ON BIODIVERSITY (30 SEPTEMBER) PLENARY SEGMENT

STATEMENTS ARE STRICTLY LIMITED TO 5 MINUTES FOR GROUPS AND 3 MINUTES IN NATIONAL CAPACITY

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	PROVISIONAL LIST OF SPEAKERS			
STA	STATEMENTS ON BEHALF OF A GROUP OF STATES			
1.	GUYANA (ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP OF 77 AND CHINA)	His Excellency MOHAMED IRFAAN ALI President of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana		
2.	MALAWI (ON BEHALF OF THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES)	His Excellency LAZARUS MCCARTHY CHAKWERA President of the Republic of Malawi		
3.	EUROPEAN UNION	Her Excellency URSULA VON DER LEYEN President of the European Commission		
STA	TEMENTS BY PARTICIPA	ATING STATES		
4.	FRANCE	His Excellency EMMANUEL MACRON President of the French Republic		
5.	SLOVAKIA	Her Excellency ZUZANA ČAPUTOVA President of the Slovak Republic		
6.	HUNGARY	His Excellency JÁNOS ÁDER President of Hungary		
7.	TURKEY	His Excellency RECEP TAYYIP ERDOĞAN President of the Republic of Turkey		
8.	POLAND	His Excellency ANDRZEJ DUDA President of the Republic of Poland		
9.	COLOMBIA	His Excellency IVÁN DUQUE MARQUEZ President of the Republic of Colombia		
10.	PERU	His Excellency MARTIN VIZCARRA President of the Republic of Peru		
11.	SWITZERLAND	Her Excellency SIMONETTA SOMMARUGA President of the Swiss Confederation		
12.	HONDURAS	His Excellency JUAN ORLANDO HERNÁNDEZ ALVARADO President of the Republic of Honduras		

13.	JORDAN	His Majesty ABDULLAH IL BIN AL HUSSEIN King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
14.	LIECHTENSTEIN	His Highness ALOIS VON UND ZU LIECHTENSTEIN Hereditary Prince and Acting Head of State of the Principality of Liechtenstein
15.	AUSTRIA	His Excellency ALEXANDER VAN DER BELLEN Federal President of the Republic of Austria
16.	IRAQ	His Excellency BARHAM SALIH President of the Republic of Iraq
17.	ISRAEL	His Excellency REUVEN RIVLIN President of the State of Israel
18.	SRI LANKA	His Excellency GOTABAYA RAJAPAKSA President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka
19.	MONACO	His Serene Highness ALBERT II Sovereign Prince of Monaco
20.	KENYA	His Excellency UHURU KENYATTA President of the Republic of Kenya
21.	DJIBOUTI	His Excellency ISMAIL OMAR GUELLEH President of the Republic of Djibouti
22.	NICARAGUA	His Excellency JOSÉ DANIEL ORTEGA SAAVEDRA President of the Republic of Nicaragua
23.	BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA	His Excellency NICOLÁS MADURO MOROS President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
24.	SLOVENIA	His Excellency BORUT PAHOR President of the Republic of Slovenia
25.	SOUTH AFRICA	His Excellency MATAMELA CYRIL RAMAPHOSA President of the Republic of South Africa
26.	NIGERIA	His Excellency MUHAMMADU BUHARI President of the Federal Republic of

		Nigeria
27.	KIRIBATI	His Excellency TANETI MAAMAU President of the Republic of Kiribati
28.	ZIMBABWE	His Excellency EMMERSON DAMBUDZO MNANGAGWA President of the Republic of Zimbabwe
29.	GAMBIA	His Excellency ADAMA BARROW President of the Republic of The Gambia
30.	CHAD	His Excellency IDRISS DÉBY ITNO President of the Republic of Chad
31.	DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO	His Excellency FÉLIX ANTOINE TSHILOMBO TSHISEKEDI President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
32.	COMOROS	His Excellency AZALI ASSOUMANI President of the Union of the Comoros
33.	BOLIVIA (PLURINATIONAL STATE OF)	Her Excellency JEANINE ÁÑEZ CHAVEZ President of the Plurinational State of Bolivia
34.	MARSHALL ISLANDS	His Excellency DAVID KABUA President of the Republic of the Marshall Islands
35.	ANGOLA	His Excellency JOÃO MANUEL GONÇALVES LOURENÇO President of the Republic of Angola
36.	AFGHANISTAN	His Excellency MOHAMMAD ASHRAF GHANI President of the Islamic Republic of
		Afghanistan WAITLIST
37.	EQUATORIAL GUINEA	His Excellency TEODORO OBIANG NGUEMA MBASOGO President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea
38.	PHILIPPINES	His Excellency RODRIGO DUTERTE President of the Republic of the Philippines

39.	SIERRA LEONE	His Excellency JULIUS MAADA BIO President of the Republic of Sierra Leone
40.	ARGENTINA	His Excellency ALBERTO FERNÁNDEZ President of the Argentine Republic
41.	NAURU	His Excellency LIONEL ROUWEN AINGIMEA President of the Republic of Nauru
42.	SEYCHELLES	His Excellency DANNY FAURE President of the Republic of Seychelles
43.	ITALY	His Excellency GIUSEPPE CONTE President of the Council of Minister of the Republic of Italy
44.	NETHERLANDS	His Excellency MARK RUTTE Prime Minister of the Kingdom of the Netherlands
45.	SAINT LUCIA	His Excellency ALLEN MICHAEL CHASTANET Prime Minister of Saint Lucia
46.	BHUTAN	His Excellency LOTAY TSHERING Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Bhutan
47.	UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND	His Excellency BORIS JOHNSON Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
48.	STATE OF PALESTINE	His Excellency MOHAMMAD SHTAYEH Prime Minister of the State of Palestine
49.	CROATIA	His Excellency ANDREJ PLENKOVIĆ Prime Minister of the Republic of Croatia
50.	MAURITIUS	His Excellency PRAVIND JUGNAUTH Prime Minister of the Republic of Mauritius
51.	MALTA	His Excellency ROBERT ABELA Prime Minister of the Republic of Malta
52.	DENMARK	Her Excellency METTE FREDRIKSEN Prime Minister of Denmark
53.	TONGA	His Excellency POHIVA TU'I'ONETOA Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Tonga

54.	ALGERIA	His Excellency SABRI BOUKADOUM Minister of Foreign Affairs
55.	MYANMAR	His Excellency OHN WINN Minister of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation
56.	URUGUAY	His Excellency ADRIÁN PENA Minister of Environment
57.	JAPAN	His Excellency SHINJIRO KOIZUMI Minister of Environment
58.	RUSSIAN FEDERATION	His Excellency DMITRY KOBYLKIN Minister of Natural Resources
59.	ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	His Excellency E.P. CHET GREEN Minister of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Immigration
60.	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	His Excellency ABDULLAH BIN MOHAMMED AL NUAIMI Minister of Climate Change and Environment
61.	REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA	His Excellency OLEG TULEA Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
62.	HOLY SEE	His Excellency PAUL RICHARD GALLAGHER Secretary for Relations with States
63.	INDONESIA	Her Excellency SITI NURBAYA BAKAR Minister of Environment and Forestry
64.	MOROCCO	His Excellency NASSER BOURITA Minister of Foreign Affairs, African Cooperation and Moroccan Expatriates
65.	BRAZIL	His Excellency ERNESTO ARÁUJO Minister of Foreign Affairs
66.	CYPRUS	His Excellency COSTAS KADIS Minister of Agriculture, Rural Development and the Environment
67.	KAZAKHSTAN	His Excellency MAGZUM MIRZAGALIYEV

		Minister of Ecology, Geology and Natural Resources
68.	TUNISIA	His Excellency OTHMAN JERANDI Minister of Foreign Affairs
69.	GUINEA	His Excellency MAMADI TOURE Minister of Foreign Affairs and Guineans Living Abroad
70.	NIGER	His Excellency ALMOUSTAPHA GARBA Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development
71.	MONGOLIA	Her Excellency SARANGEREL DAVAAJANTSAN Minister of Nature, Environment and Tourism
72.	BARBADOS	His Excellency ADRIAN FORDE Minister of the Environment and National Beautification
73.	SAUDI ARABIA	His Highness FAISAL BIN FARHAN AL-SAUD Minister of Foreign Affairs
74.	MAURITANIA	Her Excellency MARIEM BEKAYE Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development
75.	VIET NAM	His Excellency TRAN HONG HA Minister of Natural Resources and Environment
76.	CAMEROON	His Excellency LEJEUNE MBELLA Minister of External Relations
77.	ANDORRA	Her Excellency SILVIA CALVO ARMENGOL Minister of Environment, Agriculture and Sustainability
78.	ERITREA	His Excellency TESFAI GHEBRESELASSIE Minister of Water, Land and Environment
79.	LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC	His Excellency SOMMAD PHOLSENA Minister of Natural Resources and Environment
80.	PANAMA	His Excellency MILCIADES CONCEPCIÓN Minister of Environment

81.	ICELAND	His Excellency GUDMUNDUR INGI GUDBRANDSSON Minister for the Environment and Natural Resources
82.	MADAGASCAR	Her Excellency BAOMIAVOTSE VAHINALA RAHARINIRINA Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development
83.	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	His Excellency ORLANDO JORGE MERA Minister of the Environment and Natural Resources
84.	ARMENIA	His Excellency ROMANOS PETROSYAN Minister of Environment
85.	SUDAN	His Excellency RASHID MEKKI HASSAN Secretary General of the Supreme Council of Environment and Natural Resources
86.	IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF)	His Excellency BEHZAD GHAREYAZIE Deputy Minister and Focal Point on Bio-Safety
87.	TIMOR-LESTE	His Excellency DEMETRIO DE AMARAL DE CARVALHO Secretary of State for Environment
88.	BULGARIA	Her Excellency ATANASKA NIKOLOVA, Deputy Minister of Environment and Water
89.	TAJIKISTAN	Mr. BAHODUR SHERALIZODA Chairman of the Committee for Environmental Protection under the Government
90.	CÔTE D'IVOIRE	Ms. YEMOU JEANNE N'TAIN Permanent Secretary of the National Commission on Sustainable Development
91.	BAHRAIN	Ms. FATEMA ABDULLA FARES ALDHAEN Director of Organizations Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
92.	LEBANON	Her Excellency AMAL MUDALLALI Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations

SUMMIT ON BIODIVERSITY (30 SEPTEMBER) LEADERS DIALOGUE 1 (3 PM – 4:15 PM)

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1.	TUVALU (ON BEHALF OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS	His Excellency KAUSEA NATANO Prime Minister of Tuvalu	
2.	FORUM) BELIZE (ON BEHALF OF THE	His Excellency WILFRED ELRINGTON Minister for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade	
	ALLIANCE OF SMALL ISLAND STATES)		
STA	TEMENTS BY PARTICIPA	ATING STATES	
3.	KYRGYZSTAN	His Excellency SOORONBAI ZHEENBEKOV President of the Kyrgyz Republic	
4.	MOZAMBIQUE	His Excellency FILIPE NYUSI President of Republic of Mozambique	
5.	GUATEMALA	His Excellency ALEJANDRO GIAMMATTEI President of the Republic of Guatemala	
6.	ZAMBIA	His Excellency EDGAR CHAGWA LUNGU President of the Republic of Zambia	
7.	RWANDA	His Excellency PAUL KAGAME President of the Republic of Rwanda	
8.	COSTA RICA	His Excellency CARLOS ALVARADO QUESADA President of the Republic of Costa Rica	
9.	GEORGIA	Her Excellency SALOME ZOURABICHVILI President of Georgia	
10.	ESTONIA	Her Excellency KERSTI KALJULAID	

		President of the Republic of Estonia
11.	BOTSWANA	His Excellency MOKGWEETSI ERIC KEABETSWE MASISI President of the Republic of Botswana
		Tresident of the Republic of Botswaria
12.	NAMIBIA	His Excellency HAGE GEINGOB President of the Republic of Namibia
13.	BENIN	His Excellency PATRICE TALON President of the Republic of Benin
14.	TOGO	His Excellency FAURE ESSOZIMNA GNASSINGBE President of the Togolese Republic
15.	CHILE	His Excellency SEBASTIAN PIÑERA President of the Republic of Chile
16.	UGANDA	His Excellency YOWERI KAGUTA MUSEVENI President of the Republic of Uganda
17.	INDIA	His Excellency NARENDRA MODI Prime Minister of the Republic of India
		WAITLIST
18.	THAILAND	His Excellency PRAYUT CHAN-O-CHA Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand
19.	PAPUA NEW GUINEA	His Excellency JAMES MARAPE Prime Minister of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea
20.	CANADA	His Excellency JONATHAN WILKINSON Minister of Environment and Climate Change
21.	CUBA	Her Excellency ELBA ROSA PÉREZ MONTOYA Minister of Science, Technology and Environment
22.	GREECE	His Excellency KONSTANTINOS HATZIDAKIS Minister of Environment and Energy
23.	SOLOMON ISLANDS	His Excellency JEREMIAH MANELE Minister of Foreign Affair and External Trade

24.	ROMANIA	His Excellency COSTEL ALEXE Minister of Environment, Waters and Forests
25.	EL SALVADOR	His Excellency FERNANDO LÓPEZ LARREYNAGA Minister of Environment and Natural Resources
26.	CONGO	Her Excellency ARLETTE SOUDAN NONAULT Minister for Tourism and Environment
27.	FINLAND	His Excellency PEKKA HAAVISTO Minister for Foreign Affairs
28.	AZERBAIJAN	His Excellency MUKHTAR BABAYEV Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources
29.	BELGIUM	Her Excellency MARIE-CHRISTINE MARGHEM Minister of Energy, Environment and Sustainable Development
30.	PARAGUAY	His Excellency CÉSAR ARIEL OVIEDO VERDÚN Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development
31.	PORTUGAL	His Excellency JOÃO PEDRO MATOS FERNANDES Minister of Environment and Climate Action
32.	UKRAINE	Her Excellency IRYNA STAVCHUK Deputy Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources for the European Integration

SUMMIT ON BIODIVERSITY (30 SEPTEMBER) LEADERS DIALOGUE 2 (4:15 PM – 5:30 PM)

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STATEMENTS ON BEHALF OF GROUPS					
1.	FIJI (ON BEHALF OF THE PACIFIC SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES)	His Excellency JOSAIA VOREQE BAINIMARAMA Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji			
STA	STATEMENTS BY PARTICIPATING STATES				
2.	ECUADOR	His Excellency LENIN MORENO GARCES President of the Republic of Ecuador			
3.	LATVIA	His Excellency EGILS LEVITS President of the Republic of Latvia			
4.	MALDIVES	His Excellency IBRAHIM MOHAMED SOLIH President of the Republic of Maldives			
5.	LIBYA	His Excellency FAIEZ MUSTAFA SERRAJ President of the Presidency Council of the Government of National Accord of Libya			
6.	MEXICO	His Excellency ANDRES MANUEL LOPEZ OBRADOR President of the United Mexican States			
7.	AUSTRALIA	His Excellency SCOTT MORRISON Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia			
8.	LUXEMBOURG	His Excellency XAVIER BETTEL Prime Minister of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg			
9.	NORWAY	Her Excellency ERNA SOLBERG Prime Minister of Norway			
10.	ETHIOPIA	His Excellency ABIY ALI Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia			

11.	JAMAICA	Most Honourable ANDREW HOLNESS Prime Minister of Jamaica		
12.	BANGLADESH	Her Excellency SHEIKH HASINA Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh		
13.	IRELAND	His Excellency MICHEAL MARTIN Taoiseach of Ireland		
14.	CZECH REPUBLIC	His Excellency ANDREJ BABIS Prime Minister of the Czech Republic		
15.	NEPAL	His Excellency K. P. SHARMA OLI Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal		
16.	SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES	His Excellency RALPH GONSALVES Prime Minister of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines		
17.	SPAIN	His Excellency PEDRO SANCHEZ Prime Minister of Spain		
	WAITLIST			
18.	TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	His Excellency KEITH ROWLEY Prime Minister of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago		
19.	BAHAMAS	The Right Honourable HUBERT ALEXANDER MINNIS Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas		
20.	SENEGAL	His Excellency AMADU BA Minister of Foreign Affairs and Senegalese Abroad		
21.	MALAYSIA	His Excellency DATO SHAMSUL ANUAR HJ NASARAH Minister of Energy and Natural Resources		
22.	PALAU	His Excellency F. UMIICH SENGEBAU		
		Minister of Natural Resources, Environment & Tourism		
23.	CABO VERDE	His Excellency GILBERTO SILVA Minister of Agriculture and Environment		

24.	SURINAME	His Excellency SILVANO TJONG-AHIN Minister of Spatial Planning and Environment
25.	GHANA	His Excellency KWABENA FRIMPONG- BOATENG
		Minister of Environment, Science, Technology, and Innovation
26.	CAMBODIA	Her Excellency SOMALY CHANG Under-Secretary of State