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Excellency,

I am delighted to inform you that, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 75/326 of 10 September 2021, the international meeting "[Stockholm+50: a healthy planet for the prosperity of all – our responsibility, our opportunity](#)" (Stockholm+50 international meeting), is scheduled to take place at the Stockholmsmässan, Stockholm (Älvsjö), Sweden, on 2 and 3 June 2022..

The Stockholm+50 international meeting, co-hosted by the Governments of the Kingdom of Sweden and the Republic of Kenya, marks an important milestone in the history of environment and sustainable development. It is a commemoration of the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment that adopted the Stockholm Declaration on 16 June 1972, as well as a reflection on the interconnectedness of the health of the planet, equity and collective wellbeing. Most importantly, it is a call to accelerate the implementation of commitments in the context of the Decade of Action and the delivery of sustainable development – including a sustainable, equitable and resilient recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

General Assembly resolution 75/326 encourages "*participation in the international meeting at the highest possible level*". Furthermore, it invites "*all relevant stakeholders, including women, youth, older persons, persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples and local communities, to contribute to the discussions of the international meeting and their preparation and to build momentum for a healthy planet for the prosperity of all*". The successful outcomes of the Stockholm+50 international meeting is therefore contingent on the participation of delegations from all countries – especially the participation of developing countries, as well as of Major Groups and Stakeholders – both in the run-up to, and at the international meeting.

To this end, and pursuant to General Assembly resolution 75/326 which encourages "*States and international donors, as well as the private sector, financial institutions, foundations and other donors in a position to do so, to support the preparations for the international meeting through voluntary contributions to a trust fund in support of preparations for the international meeting and to support the participation of representatives of developing countries in the international meeting*", we will establish two sources of grants to receive financial contributions in support of the participation of both developing country delegates and stakeholder representatives to the Stockholm+50 international meeting.

A successful and impactful Stockholm +50 international meeting will require financial support. To this end, I invite your esteemed Government to consider providing financial support to secure the participation of delegations from developing countries and stakeholders at the Stockholm+50 international meeting. Should you be interested in making a pledge, we would appreciate receiving early confirmation on the amount and beneficiary (developing countries and/or stakeholders) of your financial contribution, so that we may direct the funds accordingly.

Should you require further information on how to contribute, your office may contact Mr. James Ndale (james.ndale@un.org) and Ms. Jamila Abdi (jamila.abdi@un.org).

Once again, my sincere gratitude for considering supporting the Stockholm+50 international meeting.

Yours sincerely,



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Secretary-General of the Stockholm+50 international meeting

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