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Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to General Assembly resolution 76/307 of 12 September 2022 entitled “Modalities for the Summit of the Future”, by which the General Assembly requested me to appoint co-facilitators, no later than 31 October 2022, to facilitate open, transparent and inclusive intergovernmental consultations on the preparatory process of the Summit.

In this regard, Member States will recall that, in its resolution 76/307, the General Assembly decided that the intergovernmental preparatory process of the Summit shall consist of:

(a) Consultations to determine the scope of the Summit, topics and organization of the interactive dialogues and the process of negotiations to conclude the outcome document;
(b) Negotiations to conclude the outcome document with adequate time for the negotiating sessions.

I have the further honour to inform you that I have appointed H.E. Ms. Antje Leendertse, Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations and H.E. Mr. Neville Melvin Gertze, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Namibia to the United Nations as co-facilitators to lead consultations on the Summit of the Future during the 77th session.

The Summit of the Future has an important role to play in reaffirming the Charter of the United Nations, reinvigorating multilateralism, boosting implementation of existing commitments, agreeing on concrete solutions to challenges and restoring trust among Member States. It is my true conviction that such a transformative agenda must be based on scientific evidence and data, and I would strongly encourage Member States to consider, during their consultations, all that science can offer to build a shared knowledge base and bring a common understanding.

In this regard, and in line with General Assembly resolutions 76/6 and 76/307, I invite the co-facilitators to ensure that major groups and other stakeholders participate and engage meaningfully in the preparatory process of the Summit of the Future.

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The General Assembly requested that the Summit of the Future be well coordinated with, and complementary to, the Sustainable Development Goals Summit. Therefore, I intend to invite the co-facilitators to brief the General Committee on a regular basis to ensure coherence and coordination between the preparations for these two summits as well as the other co-facilitated processes underway this session.

I would like to thank Ambassador Leendertse and Ambassador Gertze for having accepted this very important responsibility. I trust that you will extend your full support and cooperation to them throughout the negotiation process.

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

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