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United Nations General Assembly

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Excellency,

Eighty years after its founding, the United Nations is needed more than ever. I am deeply honored to serve and represent Member States at this pivotal moment. In these challenging times we must join efforts to uphold the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and to deliver tangible results across the three pillars of the United Nations. Only through collective action can we effectively confront the pressing challenges of our time.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 58/126, I suggest the following theme for the 80<sup>th</sup> session of the General Assembly, including the general debate:

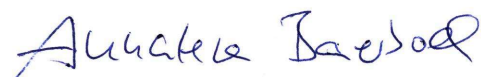
**“Better Together: 80 years and more for peace, development and human rights.”**

This theme embodies the spirit of unity and shared responsibility and recognizes that we have achieved much together over the past eighty years since the establishment of the United Nations. However, to preserve our achievements, to address current global crises and to adapt to emerging challenges, we need to work together and make our Organization fit for the future and capable of realizing its core objectives.

In this context, I invite Member States to reflect on the positive impact the United Nations has had in their country and to contemplate how they can contribute to the strengthening and modernization of the United Nations and to its mission of promoting international peace, sustainable development and universal human rights.

I should be grateful if you would kindly arrange for this letter to be circulated to all Permanent and Observer Missions to the United Nations.

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



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