



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

24 October 2016

Excellency,

I wish to refer to General Assembly resolution 70/303 of 9 September 2016 by which the Assembly requested the President of the General Assembly to appoint two co-facilitators to oversee the preparatory process and to conclude the intergovernmental consultations on a “Call for Action” by May 2017 in the framework of the United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development.

I have the honour to inform you that I have appointed in that capacity H.E. Mr. Álvaro Mendonça Moura, Permanent Representative of Portugal, and H.E. Mr. Burhan Gafoor, Permanent Representative of Singapore.

I would like to thank Ambassador Moura and Ambassador Gafoor for accepting this very important responsibility and I trust that you will extend your full support and cooperation to them.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Thomson'.

Peter Thomson

To All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
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