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Excellency,

Sequel to our letter dated 19 May 2021, circulating the concept note for the half-day joint thematic event of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) on Least Developed Countries (LDCs) to be held on Friday, 18 June 2021, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall, we have the honour to enclose herewith the provisional programme.

The joint thematic event will include an opening segment, a fireside chat segment and a high-level plenary segment. In view of the limited time available for the plenary segment, pre-recorded video statements will be played without introductions by the representatives physically present in the General Assembly Hall.

- H.E. Mr. Francisco Andre, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Portugal [pre-recorded video message]
- H.E. Mr. Feridun Hadi Sinirlio lu, Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations.

- Mr. Jeffrey Schlagenhauf, Deputy Secretary General, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
- Dr. Ismahane Elouafi, Chief Scientist, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

- Mr. Demba Dembele, Chair of the Board, LDC Watch
- Mr. John Frank, Vice President, UN Affairs, Microsoft
- Myesha Maliha Binte Mamun, Secretary General of Bangladesh Medical Students' Society.