



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

2 July 2018

Excellencies,

I wish to refer to General Assembly resolution 72/274 on the scope, modalities, format and organization of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases to be held on 27 September 2018.

In accordance with paragraph 4 of the resolution, two consecutive multi-stakeholder panels will be held from 11.00 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.00 p.m. as part of the high-level meeting. Each of the two multi-stakeholder panels shall be co-chaired by two representatives, to be appointed by the President of the General Assembly from among the Heads of State or Government attending the high-level meeting, in consultation with the regional groups.

As Chairpersons of the regional groups for the month of July, I count on your support in consulting with Member States and ask that you submit nominations for co-chair from within your groups to my Office no later than 31 July 2018.

Furthermore, in accordance with paragraph 3 of the resolution, the plenary segment will be held from 11.00 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. and will comprise statements by Member States and observers of the General Assembly. Due to the limited available for the plenary segment, as well as the time limits of three minutes for individual delegations and five minutes for statements made on behalf of a group of States, as decided by Member States in resolution 72/274, I suggest the following distribution of speaking slots among regional groups: Africa - 24, Asia-Pacific - 24, Eastern Europe - 10, Latin-America and Caribbean - 14, and Western Europe and Others - 13.

Regional groups are encouraged to submit their respective list of speakers to the General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division, DGACM, by 15 August 2018. Further details on the list of speakers will be provided at a later date.

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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'M. Lajčák', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Miroslav Lajčák

Chairs of Regional Groups
for the month of July 2018