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## Dear Colleagues,

Thanks to my friend Heiko and Jean-Yves Le Drian for bringing together such a cross-regional and highly committed group of Ministers today. A strong United Nations must be the core of our mission as an Alliance and we should be seen as actively driving our key agendas forward, from climate change to one health, from disarmament to the rule of law and accountability. Liechtenstein has supported the Alliance since the very beginning and has undertaken concrete commitments under its different tracks.

The COVID-19 pandemic has challenged our ambitions - but it must also strengthen our resolve. In times of crisis the people around the globe look at the United Nations for solutions, and we have to take an honest look at where we have fallen short. The Security Council which should act on behalf of all of us, has proven to be the weak link in our multilateral system. In contrast, the General Assembly has shown its readiness to also address current crisis situations, such as in Myanmar, but also on the pandemic. We must continue our political investment in a powerful General Assembly

Our Alliance can lead the way to progress if it takes a clear stance for the rule of law in international relations, against the rule of might. And when it shows leadership in implementing the Sustainable Development Goals – our blueprint for building back better and our debt to future generations and a healthy planet.

I thank you very much.