



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

13 April 2021

Excellency,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter dated 13 April 2021 from
H.E. Ms. Emine Erdoğan, Ambassador of Turkey, Permanent Representative of El Salvador,
and H.E. Mr. Michal Mlynár, Permanent Representative of Slovakia, and Co-Chair of
the Ad Hoc Working Group (AHWG) on Revitalization of the General Assembly,
Assembly, regarding the thematic debate on *Working methods of the General Assembly*.
The debate will be held on the remote simultaneous interpretation platform
Interprefy, as well as being webcast in air six official languages.

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

Volkan BOZKIR

All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers
New York



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Excellency,

We have the honour to address you in your capacity as Co-Chair of the Working Group on Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly (AHWG) during the 75th Session of the General Assembly.

As indicated in the AHWG report, the thematic debate on the working methods of the General Assembly will be held on Wednesday, 14 April 2021 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1:50 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. (if necessary). The meeting will be hosted on the remote simultaneous interpretation platform in all official languages.

In accordance with resolution 73/341, which was reaffirmed in resolution 74/325, the thematic debate will feature briefings from the Chairs and representatives of the Committees of the General Assembly. In addition, the Chef de Cabinet of the President of the General Assembly will brief the Member States. The Co-Chair of the General Committee will also participate.

The briefings will be followed by a question and answer segment, and after this interactive exchange, delegations will have the opportunity to deliver general statements.

Since the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, the world has faced the particular challenge to adapt to evolving circumstances. This thematic debate represents an opportunity to look back at the past year and forward to the future, identifying practices that can be improved and strengthened and for which, the Co-Chairs look forward to active engagement and participation.

Delegations wishing to take the floor are kindly requested to send an e-mail to the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail: galindo@un.org) indicating in which segment they would like to speak.

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Links to the *Interprefy* platform, as well as to JIN Webcast the meeting. It is up to individual delegations to decide if they have sufficient capacity available for all delegations.

In view of the limited time for the thematic debates, we kindly suggest to delegations to submit their statements, where possible, to the Secretariat in electronic format. Delegation statements are kindly requested to be submitted to statements@un.org at least 1 hour in advance of their delivery, indicating the title of the ABWC in the subject line.

In order to facilitate both proceedings, test calls will be possible on the *Interprefy* platform from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. We are working to ensure that the platform is working technically well before the meeting begins. Kindly bear in mind that it is important for interpreters, for which it is recommendable to use appropriate headsets with microphones and good bandwidth connection when making statements.

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

Egriselda López
Ambassador
Permanent Representative of El Salvador
to the United Nations

Michel Mumar
Ambassador
Permanent Representative
to the United Nations