



THE DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL

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Dear Mr. von Braun, *Joachim,*

I write to express my gratitude and celebrate your work as Chair of the Scientific Group for the United Nations Food Systems Summit, as you complete your assignment, and to thank you for your letter dated 17 December 2021 and a comprehensive review of the outcomes of the work of the Scientific Group and your ideas for the future.

I commend your chairmanship in the extraordinarily challenging circumstances in leading an inclusive approach that engaged thousands of people in understanding the science of food systems and deepening the connection between science and the policies that are needed to realize the objectives of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

I am deeply grateful that the United Nations system has been able to count on you and all the members of the Scientific Group to contribute to the United Nations Food Systems Summit, with the highest possible ambition and delivering meaningful results as part of a successful Summit. The Group is leaving a powerful legacy of knowledge and I welcome that this will remain in the public domain.

The four areas that you highlight for follow-up are well received and will be accounted for as we continue the work in the coming year.

Through this Summit's journey, we demonstrated our ability to come together in all our diversity to advance an agenda that touches us all. I have appreciated the opportunity to co-create and collaborate, and I trust we can continue to count on you to champion food systems approaches in the years ahead as we endeavour to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030.

Yours sincerely,

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