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PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA
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Excellency,

We wish to refer to the letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 October 2022, appointing us as co-facilitators to lead intergovernmental negotiations on a political declaration to renew commitment and accelerate implementation of the Sendai Framework. It is an honour for us to be appointed to this important role. Pursuant to General Assembly Resolution 76/204, we look forward to working with all delegations to deliver a concise and action-oriented declaration.

In this regard, we would like to draw your attention to the proposed programme of work to facilitate the intergovernmental negotiations for the political declaration. Where possible, we have strived to ensure that the following dates do not clash with existing and planned meetings of the General Assembly, as well as other intergovernmental processes scheduled in 2023.

1. **February 2023:** Co-facilitators to convene small-group consultations on expectations for the zero draft
2. **14 February 2023 (afternoon session):** Presentation to Members States on the Report of the Midterm Review of the Sendai Framework: Main Findings and Recommendations
3. **6 March 2023:** Circulation of zero draft
4. **March – April 2023:** Informal negotiations
 - a. **13 March 2023 (morning session):** First informal
 - b. **20 March (afternoon session):** Second informal
 - c. **29 March 2023 (morning session):** Third informal
 - d. **6 April 2023 (morning session):** Fourth informal
 - e. **18 April 2023 (morning session):** Fifth informal
5. **18-19 May 2023:** Political declaration adopted during the High-Level Meeting of the Midterm Review of the Sendai Framework

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Excellency, we would like to invite you to a presentation on the Report of the Midterm Review of the Sendai Framework: Main Findings and Recommendations, co-convened with the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction Ms. Mami Mizutori. The Report will form the basis of the political declaration, and after the presentation, delegations will have the opportunity to share their views on the Report. It will be held on 14 February, at 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

We are committed to delivering an inclusive and transparent process and welcome the active participation and support of all delegations throughout the consultations.

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



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