

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL

8 May 2018

Excellency,

I would like to thank you for your letter dated 26 January 2018, outlining the efforts and contributions of the Council of Europe to advance the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

As the 2030 Agenda is a universal agenda with the core focus on leaving no one behind, the global movement of actors to ensure that the rights of all individuals are advanced, advocated and protected, is critical to the realization of the Sustainable Development Goals.

I am especially pleased to note that the programme of activities and budget for the biennium 2018-2019 of the Council of Europe will indicate links, where relevant, to specific Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). I welcome receiving the reports that you will produce on the results of these interventions to advance the SDGs.

I look forward to your continued leadership and dedication to promoting the work of the United Nations, and to our future collaboration.

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

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His Excellency Mr. Thorbjørn Jagland Secretary General Council of Europe Strasbourg