



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

28 December 2018

Excellency,

Following a letter addressed to me by the Permanent Representative of Mexico, on behalf of the Group of Friends of Indigenous Peoples, which includes Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Bolivia, Canada, Colombia, Denmark, Ecuador, El Salvador, Finland, Guatemala, Mexico, Nicaragua, Norway, New Zealand, Spain, Paraguay and Peru, requesting me to convene a High-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly for the global launch of the International Year of Indigenous Languages pursuant to resolution A/RES/73/156, I wish to inform you that the High-level informal plenary meeting of the General Assembly will be held on 1st February 2019, in the General Assembly Hall.

The event will mark the beginning of the International Year of Indigenous Languages and will offer an opportunity for Member States and relevant stakeholders to exchange views and best practices about the preservation, promotion and revitalization of indigenous languages. Further details will be communicated in due course.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "M. ESPINOSA", written in a stylized, cursive script.

Maria Fernanda Espinosa Garcés

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