From: Katherine Zappone <<u>kzappone@progressivechange.ie</u>> Sent: Thursday 22 July 2021 10:30 To: Burgess Niall HQ-SEC GEN <<u>Niall.Burgess@dfa.ie</u>> Subject: Re: Special Envoy

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Dear Niall

Yes, I so enjoyed meeting you in person too (and loved the art moment - so special)

The revised note captures everything so well of our collective efforts.

I saw the Tansiste last eve, and he's really excited about this too.

It's ready to go to the Minister, I think. I did text him re the timeframe, as discussed.

I promise you, Niall, that I will do my best to ensure that this will be an important legacy piece of your time in leadership.

Warm regards.

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On Jul 22, 2021, at 10:08 AM, Niall.Burgess@dfa.ie wrote:

Dear Katherine,

Thanks for yesterday – it was great to be able to discuss this face to face. I've developed the concept note to reflect our discussion. I really liked your expansion on the rationale and I took the liberty of incorporating that too. The singe page has now become two! Take a look – once we agree it's a good basis, I'll share with the Minister (in Somalia today). We'll then develop the memo for Government along with press lines which you and he can both use though I assume you'll both want to hold something back for UNGA in September. I'll also get some work done on a draft contract once we have the concept pinned down.

Best regards,

Niall (in haste)