



OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON
VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN

20 July 2020

Dear Miatta,

Thank you very much for your participation in the VNR Lab “*Developing a Child-Sensitive and Child-Inclusive SDG Voluntary National Review*,” co-hosted by my Office and UNICEF, and supported by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, during the 2020 High-level Political Forum. You brought a special voice to the VNR Lab with your opening remarks.

I was delighted to meet you in the meeting with children and young people on 10 July and then again at the VNR Lab. Thanks to the hard work and contributions by you and all panellists, the Lab was a success and we hope you enjoyed being part of it. Your experience as a student leader and an advocate is truly inspirational.

My Office, along with my colleagues at the United Nations, want to hear more from young people and children like you to learn from your experiences and unique knowledge to ensure children are included in all COVID-19 response and recovery decisions, and that no child is left behind. We would very much like to invite you to be part of this through an initiative called #CovidUnder19. We count on your support to share your views and to share it amongst your friends.

I hope you will continue your important work with the members of your community.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Najat Maalla M'jid'.

Najat Maalla M'jid
Special Representative of the Secretary-General
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