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Dear Prime Minister,

It is my great pleasure to invite you to co-chair the World Economic Forum Sustainable Development Impact Summit, which will take place in New York, USA, on 23 and 24 September 2019.

This is the third annual gathering dedicated to accelerating progress on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Paris Agreement. The summit serves as a platform to accelerate and amplify multistakeholder initiatives, catalyse new partnerships and alliances, and explore the best uses of advanced technology in expediting the SDGs. Taking place in the context of the United Nations General Assembly and the recently signed Strategic Partnership Framework between the United Nations and the World Economic Forum, the summit will draw on the presence of world leaders in New York to further deepen public-private cooperation.

During the summit, the Forum aims to gather select European leaders, including from its community of New Leaders for Europe, for a dialogue on how to step up diplomatic efforts to implement the Paris Accord and on how to strengthen Europe's global leadership role in sustainability, green economic growth and fighting climate change. Given the strong leadership of the Netherlands on these issues, your participation in the deliberations would be highly appreciated.

I hope you will see this co-chair invitation as an opportunity to be a trusted bridge-builder between business, the public sector and civil society and to inspire progress and collaboration in driving the sustainable development agenda forward.

I very much hope you will be able to accept this invitation. The Forum will work closely with your team to develop a meaningful, personalized agenda that ensures that your participation in the summit is highly productive and rewarding.

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