Speaker: Ovais Sarmad Date: Wednesday, 23 September 2020 Location: Virtually Time: 14.00 to 17.00 hrs (CEST)

Description: High-Level Annual Meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs on the theme *Partnering for accelerated implementation o fthe Vienna Programme of Action* (VPoA) and achieving sustainable development in Land Locked Developing Countries (LLDCs) in the era of COVID-19.

The meeting will review progress made in the implementation of the VPoA, including recommednations and opportunities for accelerating its implementation and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. **DES role**: Possible remarks under Agenda item 3 **General Debate, (c) Principals of international and regional organizations**.

 Or will we choose to ² not build back better, as some say, but build forward? To enact policies that promote green growth, protect biodiversity, embrace renewable energy and more? To accept the possibility that transportation can be different? Construction? Supply chains? Pro