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THE PRESIDENT

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Dear Delegates,

I would like to inform you that, following the close of voting on the resolution to change the dates of Expo 2020 Dubai to 1st October 2021 until 31st March 2022, 113 votes were received in favour, none against and no abstentions. The final quorum for the vote was established on 1st May 2020 at 117 Member States having the right to vote.

Having largely surpassed the required two-thirds majority, I hereby declare the resolution on the change of dates of Expo 2020 Dubai formally adopted. I would like to thank all our Member States for having shown such solidarity and efficiency during a very difficult time in all our lives and allowed this decision to be taken in such a rapid manner.

Furthermore, please allow me to express my deep gratitude to the Secretary General and his team, who even in such unprecedented times managed to propose a procedure which guaranteed the integrity of our Convention and our Organisation. I would also like to thank the Executive Committee for their work in bringing this question before the General Assembly swiftly and assuring that all possibilities had been studied before making any proposal.

Finally, please allow me to thank the Government of the United Arab Emirates for their unquestionable commitment to assuring that Expo 2020 Dubai will open its doors to the world, when the time is right.

All Delegates

Although the global sanitary situation has put our usual activities on hold during the first half of 2020, I am pleased to inform you that the Secretary General is currently working on the appropriate sanitary regulations and protocols that will allow us to meet once more for our usual Autumn and Winter meetings. I therefore look forward to seeing you all again in the near future, and please accept once more my heartfelt thanks for your efforts in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

THE PRESIDENT

OF THE BUREAU INTERNATIONAL DES EXPOSITIONS

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jai-Chul Choi', written in a cursive style.

AMBASSADOR JAI-CHUL CHOI