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MESSAGE FOR THE WORLD RADIOCOMMUNICATION CONFERENCE

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I am pleased to greet the World Radiocommunication Conference.

Your gathering is a testament to the power of international cooperation in tackling global challenges.

Radio frequencies, whether on Earth or in space, form the backbone of advanced communications for all of humanity. From education to healthcare, from agriculture to climate monitoring, expanding radiocommunication services and bridging the digital divide are key to reducing inequalities and advancing the Sustainable Development Goals.

The radio spectrum is also a finite resource. We must use it efficiently and equitably, with inclusive global coordination to prevent harmful interference.

The World Radiocommunication Conference provides an opportunity to foster collaboration between governments, the private sector, regional telecom organizations, researchers and academia to promote fair and stable regulation, which is the foundation for investment and innovation that leaves no one behind.

That is also the spirit of next year's Summit of the Future – to advance the responsible and sustainable use of technologies, including satellites, and ensure that vital commons like outer space are preserved for future generations.

Your contributions here can help transform how we communicate and connect in the years ahead.

Let us share the radio spectrum wisely and help build a sustainable future for all.
