Supplemental material

COUNTRY	Leader	M/W	inclusion Rationale	Region	reason for exclusion
Belgium	Wilmès	W	G10, UNSC, Woman	Europe	Included
France	Macron	M	G10, UNSC	Europe	Included
Germany	Merkel	W	G10, UNSC, Woman	Europe	Included
United Kingdom	Johnson	M	G10, UNSC	Europe	Included
United States	Trump	M	G10, UNSC	North America	Included
Brazil	Bolsonaro	M	BRICS	South America	Included
Russia	Putin	M	BRICS, UNSC	Europe/Asia	Included
India	Modi	M	BRICS	Asia	Included
South Africa	Ramaphosa	M	BRICS, UNSC	Africa	Included
Dominican Republic	Medina	M	UNSC	Caribbean	Included
Indonesia	Widodo	M	UNSC	Asia	Included
Niger	Issoufou	M	UNSC	Africa	Included
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Gonsalves	M	UNSC	Caribbean	Excluded – Speeches not available on public domain
Tunisia	Fakhfakh	M	UNSC	Africa	Excluded – Speech transcripts not available, no capacity to transcribe Arabic
Vietnam	Nguyễn Phú Trọng	M	UNSC	Asia	Excluded – Speech transcripts not available, no capacity to transcribe Vietnamese
Bangladesh	Hasina	W	Woman	Asia	Included
Barbados	Mottley	W	Woman	Caribbean	Excluded – Only 1 speech available, other carribean nation chosen
Bolivia	Añez	W	Woman	South America	Included
Denmark	Frederiksen	W	Woman	Europe	Excluded – Only 1 speech available, other European countries already represented
Finland	Marin	W	Woman	Europe	Included
Iceland	Jakobsdottir	W	Woman	Europe	Excluded – Speeches not available on public domain
Namibia	Kuugongelwa	W	Woman	Africa	Excluded – Speeches not available on public domain

New Zealand	Ardern	W	Woman	Oceania	Included
Norway	Solberg	W	Woman	Europe	Included
Scotland	Sturgeon	W	Woman	Europe	Included
Serbia	Brnabic	W	Woman	Europe	Speeches not available on public domain
Sint Maarten	Jacobs	W	Woman	Caribbean	Included
Taiwan	Ing-wen	W	Woman	Asia	Included

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