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SIXTEENTH COORDINATION MEETING ON INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION

Population Division Department of Economic and Social Affairs United Nations Secretariat New York, 15-16 February 2018

OBJECTIVES OF THE MEETING

The Population Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs is organizing the sixteenth annual Coordination Meeting on International Migration at the United Nations in New York from 15 to 16 February 2018. The meeting is held in response to General Assembly resolution <u>58/208</u> on international migration and development, which requested the Secretary-General to continue convening coordination meetings on international migration.

The purpose of the meeting is to contribute to the preparation of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration by (a) taking stock of existing data and research on relevant topics, (b) highlighting gaps in the current evidence base and (c) assessing priorities for the further development of data, research and training to support the implementation of the Global Compact. In addition, the meeting will allow participants to share information about progress in monitoring the implementation of the migration-related targets of the Sustainable Development Goals. The meeting will also allow participants to present and coordinate their recent activities and initiatives on migration.

By bringing together representatives of Member States, entities of the United Nations system, other relevant intergovernmental organizations, civil society and the private sector, as well as academia, the coordination meeting provides a unique opportunity to strengthen the evidence base on migration and to promote collaboration and coordination on migration activities.

The outcomes of the meeting will inform the intergovernmental negotiations on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (A/71/280) and contribute to the report of the Secretary-General on international migration and development for the seventy-third session of the General Assembly (A/71/237).