8 February 2016

Excellency,

As you are aware, the Secretary-General on 15 January 2016 informally briefed Members about his proposed Plan of Action to Prevent Violent Extremism (A/70/674 – A/70/675). At the same briefing, I recalled my intention to organize a formal plenary debate of the General Assembly as well as my intention to consult widely on how best to take this important contribution forward.

As announced in the UN Journal, I am pleased to confirm that the formal plenary debate of the General Assembly will take place this coming Friday, 12 February 2016, at 10 AM in the General Assembly Hall. For delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for this debate, please refer to the UN Journal.

Further to extensive consultations with the membership and informed by their views about possible next steps with regard to the Secretary-General's proposed Plan of Action to Prevent Violent Extremism (A/70/674 – A/70/675), it is my intention to table a short, procedural draft resolution on this topic for action by the General Assembly at the debate, the text of which is attached.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Mogens Lykketoft

To All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York

The General Assembly,

PP1 *Reaffirming* its determination to further strengthen the role, capacity, effectiveness and efficiency of the United Nations system,

PP2 *Stressing* that it is essential to address the threat posed by violent extremism as and when conducive to terrorism, and *recognizing* that violent extremism is not exclusive to any region, nationality or system of belief,

OP1 *Welcomes* the initiative by the Secretary-General and *takes note* of his Plan of Action to Prevent Violent Extremism (A/70/674),

OP2 D*ecides* to give further consideration to the Secretary-General's Plan of Action to Prevent Violent Extremism (A/70/674) beginning in the Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy review in June 2016 as well as in other relevant fora.