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On 17 December 2015, the General Assembly adopted resolution 70/183 entitled "Global health and foreign policy: strengthening the management of international health crises", by which it decided to hold a high-level meeting in 2016 on antimicrobial resistance. On 18 July 2016, the General Assembly adopted resolution 70/297 entitled "Scope, modalities, format and organization of the high-level meeting on antimicrobial resistance convened by the President of the General Assembly" by which it decided that the high-level meeting convened by the President of the General Assembly on antimicrobial resistance shall be held in New York on 21 September, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

In accordance with paragraph 3 of resolution 70/297, the high-level meeting on antimicrobial resistance will comprise an opening and closing segment, a plenary segment for general discussions and two interactive hour-long thematic panels on the following themes:

Panel 1: Relevance of addressing antimicrobial resistance for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, in particular the health-related Goals

Panel 2: Addressing the multi-sectoral implications and implementation challenges of antimicrobial resistance in a comprehensive manner

I am therefore seeking the nomination by your group of 1 panellist at the Head of States and Governments level along with the choice of preferred panel. Furthermore, please indicate if Head of States and Governments from your group, other than the nomination, are interested in participating in the panel. I kindly ask that the nomination is provided to me no later than 26 August 2016.

The composition of the panels will be finalized with due consideration given to equitable gender, level of development and geographic representation, and communicated in a subsequent note. If you have any questions regarding the panel please contact Ahood Alzaabi alzaabi@un.org or Emilie Juel Christensen christensenE@un.org

I would like to thank you for your cooperation on these important preparations for the high-level meeting. Your support in providing timely nomination for the panellist will be highly appreciated.

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

Mogens Lykketoft

To the Chairs of the regional groups for the Month of July 2016 New York

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