



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

16 October 2017

Excellency,

Further to my letter dated 13 October 2017, please find enclosed herewith a letter from the co-facilitators of the intergovernmental consultations and negotiations on issues related to the global compact, the intergovernmental conference as well as their preparatory process, H.E. Mr. Juan José Gómez Camacho, Permanent Representative of Mexico and H.E. Mr. Jürg Lauber, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations.

The co-facilitators' letter transmits a letter dated 9 October 2017 by the Government of Italy with an expression of interest to host the intergovernmental conference on international migration in 2018. In order to ensure the open, transparent and inclusive nature of the informal consultations on the modalities resolution of the intergovernmental conference, I am pleased to further transmit a letter dated 12 October 2017 by the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco with a similar offer to host the intergovernmental conference.

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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'M. Lajčák', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Miroslav Lajčák

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



New York, 13 October 2017

Excellency,

As you are aware, we are currently leading the negotiations on the resolution determining the precise modalities for the intergovernmental conference on international migration, which will adopt the global compact in 2018, in our capacity as co-facilitators of the preparatory process for the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration.

In resolution 71/280, Member States stipulated that the conference shall be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York, immediately prior to the opening of the general debate of the seventy-third session of the General Assembly, unless otherwise decided. The present modalities resolution should provide a final decision regarding the venue and exact date of the conference.

In this regard, we transmit to you a letter dated 9 October 2017 by the Government of Italy with an expression of interest to host the intergovernmental conference on international migration in 2018. We have further taken note of a letter dated 12 October 2017 by the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco addressed to your Excellency with a similar offer, also attached.

We are pleased to inform you that we have encouraged the delegations of Italy and Morocco to share their offers in greater detail on the occasion of the next informal consultation on the modalities resolution, to take place Wednesday, 18 October 2017 from 10:00 to 13:00 in the ECOSOC Council Chamber.

In order to ensure the open, transparent and inclusive nature of the negotiations, we kindly invite you to consider circulating the letters of both delegations to Member and Observer States.

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

Juan José Gómez-Camacho  
Ambassador and Permanent Representative of  
Mexico to the United Nations

Jürg Lauber  
Ambassador and Permanent Representative of  
Switzerland to the United Nations

**H.E. Mr. Miroslav Lajčák**  
**President of the General Assembly**  
**United Nations**  
**NEW YORK**

Cc:

Ms. Louise Arbour, Secretary-General of the intergovernmental conference on international migration



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New York, Oct - 9. 2017

*Excellency, Dear Ambassador,*

Pursuant to resolution A/RES/71/280 paragraph 1 (a), "*Modalities for the intergovernmental negotiations of the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration*," I am pleased to inform you that the Italian Republic has decided to present its candidature to host the "Intergovernmental Conference on International Migration" in 2018, which will lead to the adoption of a "Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration."

Italy has a unique experience of the different sides of migration, as a Country from which millions of people once migrated abroad, seeking better opportunities, and which today receives thousands of people fleeing war, famine and poverty from across the Mediterranean. This makes us particularly aware of the myriad dimensions of this global phenomenon. Should our offer be accepted, Italy will work closely with the co-facilitators, all Members States, the Secretary-General of the Intergovernmental Conference, H.E. Ms. Louise Arbour and all the other stake-holders to assure wide participation and together make this conference a memorable and successful event.

The same letter has been sent to our Mexican colleague, H.E. Mr. Juan José Gómez Camacho.

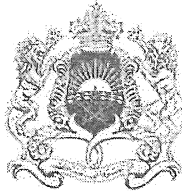
Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Ambassador Inigo Lambertini  
Charge' d'Affaires a.i.

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H.E. Mr. Jürg Lauber  
Permanent Representative of Switzerland  
to the United Nations

CC:  
H.E. Ms. Louise Arbour  
Special Representative of the Secretary-General for  
International Migration

The Permanent Mission  
of the Kingdom of Morocco  
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البعثة الدائمة للمملكة المغربية  
لدى الأمم المتحدة  
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New York, 12 October 2017

Excellency,

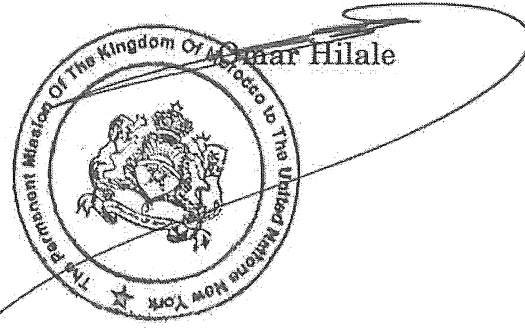
I have the pleasure to inform your Excellency that the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco would like to propose to host the Intergovernmental Conference on International Migration in 2018 for the adoption of a Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration.

Morocco's decision to host this Conference stems from its strong commitment to promote the issue of migration at all levels. It also comforts the role that Kingdom of Morocco plays in this field both internationally, in its capacity of co-chair, with Germany, of the Global Forum for Migration and Development, and regionally, in the African continent, including since the designation of His Majesty the King Mohammed VI as Leader of the African Union on the issue Migration.

By hosting this Conference, Morocco aims to contribute to the global efforts to strengthen the international commitment towards migrants.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration

Ambassador, Permanent Representative



H.E Mr. Miroslav Lajcak  
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