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Excellency,

I refer to General Assembly resolution 73/241, entitled "International migration and development", by which the General Assembly decided "to convene, in the first half of 2019, a one-day high-level debate on international migration and development, under the auspices of the President of the General Assembly, in lieu of the 2019 High-level Dialogue, to inform the high-level political forum on sustainable development, which will review the Goals and targets relevant to migration of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, taking into consideration the outcomes of other processes related to international migration and development".

In this light, it is my honor to inform you that I have decided to convene the one-day High-level Debate on International Migration and Development on 27 February 2019, at the ECOSOC Chamber, United Nations Headquarter, New York.

I shall circulate a draft concept note of the High-level Debate in January.

Your Excellency's participation in the High-level Debate would add great value to this event and I look forward to your positive response.

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

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