



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
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16 November, 2015

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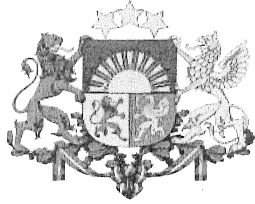
I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter, dated 13 November, 2015 from the Co-Facilitators of the intergovernmental negotiations on the review of the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), H.E. Mr. Jānis Mažeiks, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Latvia, and H.E. Mrs. Lana Zaki Nusseibeh, Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates, providing updates on the negotiation process planned for 19-20 and 24-25 November, 2015.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mogens Lykketoft', written in a cursive style.

Mogens Lykketoft

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TO THE UNITED NATIONS
NEW YORK

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Following our letter dated 4 November 2015 on the Draft Outcome Document for the General Assembly's review of outcomes from the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), we would like to provide two updates on the process planned for the 19-20 and 24-25 November, following consultations with Member States and other stakeholders at the Internet Governance Forum in Brazil.

Firstly, as these are the final rounds of informals planned before the adoption of the Outcome Document in one month, we encourage delegations to ensure those present for the negotiations have a mandate to take appropriate decisions. In order to streamline the process, we look forward to receiving written language proposals and comments on the Draft Outcome Document from governments, civil society, the technical community, private sector and intergovernmental organizations by 17 November, which would be available online through the following link:

<http://unpan3.un.org/wsis10/Preparatory-Process-Roadmap/Comments-on-Draft-Outcome-Document>

The second update refers to the schedule for the next round of informals: The session will begin at 3pm on 19 November 2015, and proceed through the day on 20 November. Member States are invited to work towards final consensus on the Outcome Document, particularly finding a balance between the mandate of taking stock of progress made, noting prevailing challenges/ gaps in bridging the digital divide, and identifying priorities for the future. The timely submission of comments on the Draft Outcome Document will ensure positions are clear before the start of negotiations on 19 November. Based on language suggestions posted online, we propose to have a textual discussion on the whole of the document paragraph by paragraph. If necessary, informals may continue for the entire day on 24 and 25 November 2015, in order to finalize the text in advance of the December meeting.

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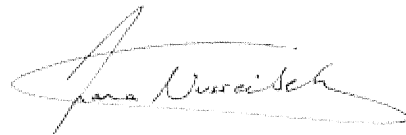
Lastly, we are pleased to share that a number of delegations have confirmed Ministerial-level attendance for the High Level Meeting on 15-16 December. We encourage applications for side-events, in order to ensure a dynamic and insightful event. Details for registration remain the same as those listed on 4 November. Please do not hesitate to contact our experts should you require any further information: Ms. Elina Volksone, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Latvia (Elina.Volksone@mfa.gov.lv), and Ms. Hana AlHashimi, Special Advisor, Permanent Mission of the UAE (Hana.Alhashimi@mofa.gov.ae).

We look forward to your constructive engagement next week.

Please accept, Excellency, assurances of our highest consideration.



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