Excellency,

In follow-up to my letter dated 14 December 2015, in which I shared a draft decision on the organization of the High-Level meeting on 19 September 2016 on ways to address large movements of refugees and migrants, and further to consultations with the membership, I would like to kindly inform you that I have scheduled an action by the General Assembly on this issue on Tuesday 22 December 2015 at 3 p.m.

I would also like to bring to your kind attention one minor change in the draft decision as circulated on 14 December (attached). In the first paragraph of the draft decision, the words “one day” have been dropped to ensure maximum participation and inclusiveness in the High-Level meeting. To that end, I look forward to closely working with you on finalizing the organizational arrangements for the meeting.

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

Mogens Lykketoft

To All Permanent Representatives and
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Draft decision submitted by the President of the General Assembly

High-level plenary meeting on addressing large movements of
refugees and migrants

The General Assembly,

1. Decides to convene a one-day high-level meeting of the plenary of the
General Assembly, within existing resources, on addressing large movements of
refugees and migrants, on 19 September 2016;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to prepare a comprehensive report, to be
submitted no later than May 2016, setting out recommendations on ways to address
large movements of refugees and migrants;

3. Also requests the President of the General Assembly to finalize the
organizational arrangements, including on a possible outcome, for the high-level
meeting, through open, transparent and inclusive consultations with Member States.