



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

13 September 2016

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to my previous communications regarding the High-Level Meeting on Antimicrobial Resistance that will take place on 21 September 2016.

Following consultations with Member States held, on my behalf, by H.E. Mr. Juan Jose Gómez Camacho, Permanent Representative of Mexico, I am pleased to bring to your attention the following two documents, which I hope can serve to assist and guide preparations for the aforementioned Meeting:

- An Information Note on the organizational arrangements for the High-Level Meeting; and
- A Provisional Programme with indicative timelines for each panel discussion.

I will inform you about the names of the panellists in the interactive thematic panels in due course.

All other relevant documents concerning the High-level Meeting on Antimicrobial Resistance will be available on my website (<http://www.un.org/pga/70/events/high-level-meeting-on-antimicrobial-resistance/>).

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

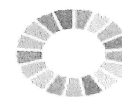
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mogens Lykketoft', written in a cursive style.

Mogens Lykketoft,

To all Permanent Representatives  
And Permanent Observers to the United Nations  
New York



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## Logistic note

### **Organizational arrangements for the High-level meeting Antimicrobial Resistance**

#### **Introduction:**

1. In December 2015 the UN General Assembly adopted the Global Health and Foreign Policy resolution (A/Res/70/183), which included a decision to hold a high-level meeting on Antimicrobial Resistance at the UN General Assembly in 2016. On 18 March 2016, the UN Secretary-General produced a report (A/70/790) on the scope, modalities, format and organization of the high-level meeting, inviting the President of the UN General Assembly to initiate a process with Member States to finalize the proposed modalities and outcomes. Under the leadership of the Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations, Member States have been engaged in open, transparent and inclusive consultations to develop the Organizational arrangements, including a possible outcome, for the high-level meeting. The General Assembly on 25 July 2016 adopted resolution A/Res/70/297, which finalized the scope, modalities, format and organization of the high level meeting.  
On 21 September 2016, the President of the UN General Assembly will convene a one-day high-level meeting at the UN Headquarters in New York on Antimicrobial Resistance, with the participation of Member States, non-governmental organizations, representatives of civil society, the private sector and academic institutions.
2. Paragraph 4 of resolution 70/297 requested the President of the General Assembly, with support of the WHO, FAO and OIE to finalize the organizational arrangements for the thematic panels, taking into account the views of Member States and equitable gender, level of development and geographical representation, for the participation of Heads of State and Government, as well as of relevant civil society, private sector, academia and other stakeholders with expertise in AMR.

#### **Participation:**

3. The President of the General Assembly sent a letter dated 5 August 2016 to all Member States and Observer States to invite them to participate at the highest possible level at the high-level meeting. It is expected that the meeting will be attended by several Heads of State and Government and will have a significant level of ministerial participation.
4. Participation in the high-level meeting will be in accordance with paragraphs 2, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of resolution 70/297.
5. In accordance with paragraph 2 of resolution 70/297, Member States and observer States are invited to participate at the highest possible level, preferably at the level of Heads of State and Government.
6. In accordance with paragraph 6 of resolution 70/297, all relevant United Nations system entities, including programmes, funds, specialized agencies and regional commissions, as well as regional and subregional organizations, are invited to participate in the high-level meeting, contributing as appropriate, and to consider initiatives in support of its preparatory process;



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7. In accordance with paragraph 7 of resolution 70/297, intergovernmental organizations and related entities that have observer status with the General Assembly are invited to be represented at the highest possible level;
8. In accordance with paragraph 8 of resolution 70/297, non-governmental organizations that are in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council with relevant expertise are invited to register with the Secretariat to attend the meeting;
9. Pursuant to paragraph 9 of resolution 70/279, Member States are encouraged to consider, as appropriate, to include in their national delegations to the high-level meeting parliamentarians, civil society, private sector, academia and other stakeholders working on antimicrobial resistance.
10. In accordance with paragraph 10 of resolution 70/297, a list of representatives of other AMR relevant non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions and the private sector who may participate in the high-level meeting, including the panel discussions, taking into account the principles of transparency and equitable geographic representations, was circulated to Member States on 26 August 2016, for consideration on a non-objection basis. The final list was circulated to Member States on 6 September 2016.

## **Programme of the high-level meeting:**

11. Pursuant to sub-paragraph 3(a), (b) and (c) of resolution 70/279, the high-level meeting will comprise of plenary segment which will take place in the Trusteeship Council Chamber and two interactive thematic panel discussions which will take place in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.
12. The programme of the high-level meeting is contained in Annex A.

## **Plenary segment:**

13. Pursuant to resolution 70/297, the high-level meeting convened by the President of the General Assembly shall be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
14. Pursuant to sub-paragraph 3(a), the opening segment, which will include statements by the President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General; the Director-General of the World Health Organization, the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization and the Director-General of the World Organization for Animal Health, each speaking from their perspective and in accordance with the mission and mandate that each institution represents.
15. To enable maximum participation within the limited time available, statements in plenary should not exceed three minutes. A list of speakers is open for inscription at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Jose Tanoy, e-mail: [tanoy@un.org](mailto:tanoy@un.org); tel.: 1 (212) 963-7855).
16. Speaking order will follow the customary protocol order. Accordingly, precedence will be accorded to representatives at the Heads of State or Government and Ministerial levels.
17. The closing plenary meeting in the afternoon of 21 September 2016 will feature the summaries of the thematic panel discussions and concluding remarks by the President of the General Assembly.
18. Delegations are requested to provide 30 copies of their statements, to be submitted by a delegation representative to the documentation desk located in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The delegation representative should be in possession of a valid United Nations



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ground pass and a special event pass to the high-level meeting. The texts of the speeches will be accepted only on the day they are to be given.

19. Additionally, delegations are invited to submit PDF formatted versions of their statements via e-mail to [papersmart@un.org](mailto:papersmart@un.org). Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should provide them not later than two hours in advance of delivery to [papersmat@un.org](mailto:papersmat@un.org). Alternatively, delegations can bring a heard copy (unstapled and printed single-sided), for scanning and uploading, to the PaperSmart portal at the documents distribution counter located inside the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The name of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail and in the heading of the statement. The statements will remain embargoed until their delivery and then posted. Only statements presented during the course of the meeting will be posted.

## **Thematic Panel Discussions:**

20. Pursuant to sub-paragraph 3(b) of resolution 70/279, there will be two interactive thematic panels. They will be held in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, in parallel with the plenary meetings throughout the day (see the Programme of the high-level meeting in Annex A).

**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 multisectoral implications and implementation challenges of antimicrobial resistance in a comprehensive manner.**

21. The panel discussions will be interactive and multi-stakeholder in nature. Each panel will be comprised of a moderator and six panellists with a thorough knowledge and expertise of the subject. Each panel will include three Head of State and Government and three relevant stakeholders, bearing in mind equitable gender, level of development and geographical representation.
22. To promote interactive, free-flowing discussions, participants will be invited to make brief remarks not to exceed two minutes, raise questions and to respond to other speakers. Written statements are strongly discouraged.
23. The panel discussions will be open to Member States and observers, representatives of the United Nations system, as well as civil society representatives.
24. Because of time limitations, there will be no speaker's list for the interactive panel discussions.

## **Webcast:**

25. The plenary meetings and the thematic panel discussions will be transmitted via live webcast.
26. The opening segment of the plenary meeting will be broadcasted live in the ECOSOC Chamber before the interactive panel discussions.





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### **Access to the Trusteeship Council Chamber and the Economic and Social Council Chamber:**

27. Members of delegations will have access to the Trusteeship Council Chamber and the ECOSOC Chamber via the Delegates' Entrance on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.
28. Access to the Trusteeship Council Chamber and the ECOSOC Chamber will be on the basis of colour-coded passes, limited to two per Member State.
29. Member States will receive passes from protocol.
30. All other stakeholders attending the meeting will need special event tickets for each of the two rooms. Access will be via the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor and only access to the balcony.

### **Admission to the Headquarters premises**

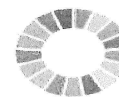
31. The United Nations is closed to the public from 5:30 p.m. on Friday, 16 September until close of business Tuesday, 27 September 2016. During this period, guided tours are suspended.
32. While the premise is closed to the public, staff members are requested to schedule appointments with visitors and guests at locations away from the Headquarters site. The General Assembly Lobby information and reception desk will be relocated to the UNITAR Building, on the corner of First Avenue at 45th Street, with opening hours 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Access to the desk can be gained when entering the building on 45th Street. Given the security activity on First Avenue, it will be the responsibility of each staff member to meet his or her guests at the information desk, as guests will not be permitted to enter the Headquarters premises at any time.
33. Delegates, staff members, affiliates and accredited media representatives who are entitled to access the premises are admitted to the Headquarters only upon presentation of a valid United Nations grounds pass or laissez-passer.
34. In view of the need for heightened security measures, all are kindly reminded that the provisions of Secretary-General's bulletin ST/SGB/259 of 2 July 1993, on the wearing of grounds passes, i.e. worn prominently on the outer clothing of the holder and subject to verification by security officers, will be strictly enforced].
35. In the interest of ensuring the safety of all concerned, it is important to maintain the integrity of the ground passes because of the access they allow to its holder. All authorized pass holders are therefore reminded that their grounds passes are solely for the use of the holder to whom it is issued and that it cannot be transferred or given to any other person to use. Grounds passes found to be used in any other manner than for which it was intended will be confiscated by Security.
36. Please be aware that all packages brought onto the premises at all entry points, will undergo a security inspection. Delegates, Staff members and other United Nations-accredited personnel are therefore discouraged from bringing unnecessary packages onto the premises during this period.

### ***Access at the 42<sup>nd</sup>, 45<sup>th</sup>, 46<sup>th</sup> and 47<sup>th</sup> Street entrances***

37. Delegates can enter through the 42nd and 46th street entrance.
38. The 47<sup>th</sup> Street entrance will be utilized exclusively by media as well as resident correspondents with equipment.



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39. The opening hours of the pedestrian entrances are as follows:  
42<sup>nd</sup> Street and First Avenue: 24/7  
46<sup>th</sup> Street and First Avenue: 7 a.m. to close of business  
47<sup>th</sup> Street and First Avenue: 6 a.m. to close of business
40. Pedestrian entrances will be closed on 25 September 2016. Delegates / Staff members requiring access to the Secretariat Building can utilize the pedestrian gate adjacent to the vehicular entrance at First Avenue and 43<sup>rd</sup> Street.
41. The Delegates' Entrance on 45<sup>th</sup> Street will be open only for egress of escorted motorcades.

## *Pass and Identification office: FF Building*

42. The Pass and Identification office, located on the ground floor of the FF Building (320 E 45<sup>th</sup> Street), is open to staff members and members of delegations.
43. In preparation for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly, annual and temporary non-governmental organization passes will not be issued from 5 September 2016 until the end of the debate. Any NGOs invited to attend events during the general debate will need a special event tickets (meeting, date and time specific), distributed by event organisers.
44. The days and hours of operation are as follows:

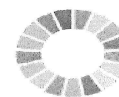
<i>Date</i>	<i>Hours of operation</i>
<b>FF Building at 304 E 45th Street</b>	
Saturday and Sunday, 10 and 11 September	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Monday, 12 September	8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Tuesday thru Thursday, 13 to 15 September	8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Friday, 16 September	8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday, 17 and 18 September	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Monday thru Friday, 19 to 23 September	8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday, 24 and 25 September	Closed
Monday, 26 September	8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## *Access to and traffic in the Secretariat Circle and the 43<sup>rd</sup> Street entrance*

45. The very limited operating space of the Secretariat Circle and Delegates Roadway areas require strict controls on access in order to facilitate safety and to avoid undue obstructions and delays of delegation vehicles, other high-level government officials and motorcades. Vehicular access to the premises through the gate at First Avenue and 43<sup>rd</sup> Street is therefore restricted to Host Country law enforcement escorted motorcades.
46. The regular traffic pattern permitting authorized vehicles to exit the Secretariat Circle through the 45<sup>th</sup> Street gate from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. on weekdays will resume on Tuesday, 27 September 2016.



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## **Media arrangements:**

### ***Media accreditation***

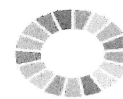
47. Media accreditation for all events taking place during the High-level segment of the General Assembly closes on Friday, 9 September 2016.
48. All members of the media accompanying Heads of State/Government or Heads of Delegation, including official photo/video, must submit requests for media passes, including official photo/video through the eAccreditation system on the e-deleGATE portal: <https://delegate.un.int/>
49. Media members who wish to apply independently should register at: <http://www.un.org/en/media/accreditation/request.shtml>
50. Badges can be collected starting Tuesday, 13 September 2016, at the UNITAR Building – 801 Frist Avenue (corner of 45<sup>th</sup> Street and First Avenue), new York, NY 10017.
51. Media can get assistance at:
  - a. Media Center: Conference Room 1
  - b. GA liaison desk (3<sup>rd</sup> floor GA Building): for GA Hall booths and Delegate entrance
  - c. 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Conference Building: for meeting in CR-1, CR-2, CR-3
  - d. MALU Office, S-0250: General assistance, CR 5,6,7,8 and press conferences
  - e. Accreditation area: UNITAR building
52. Members of the media need to be escorted from the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit office (S-250) or liaison desks. Tickets to the gallery will be available for print press, on a first-come first-served basis.
53. Questions or concerns should be directed to the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit at [malu@un.org](mailto:malu@un.org)

### ***Media information***

54. During the High-level week media stakeouts will happen in several areas, such as:
  - a. Delegates Entrance – MALU escort needed (Area can be frozen as VIPs enter the GA building)
  - b. Formal stakeout: 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, between Conference Building and Ga Building – the stakeout can be booked through the Office of the Spokesperson - +1 212-963-7160 – and is open to all media
  - c. Informal stakeout area: East Lounge or Rose Garden
55. UN Photo will do its best to facilitate coverage needed. All images will be available through the photo library and the UN photo website. For requests, contact the photo library at [photolibr@un.org](mailto:photolibr@un.org) or go to <http://www.un.org/av/photo> and register to download directly from the site.
56. On social media, relevant Twitter accounts to follow are @un\_pga, @UN and @WHO. We encourage everyone to use the hashtags #AntimicrobialResistance - #UNGA - #2030NOW



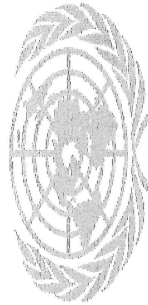
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## **SDG Media Zone – outside on Visitors Plaza near the entrance to the Visitors lobby**

57. This will be housed in a temporary structure on the Visitors plaza where invited media will follow and report on the AMR meeting. A number of webcast dialogues related to the AMR meeting will be arranged inside the Media Zone during the day and the evening before. Exhibitions by code.org and GSMA will be open to visitors. For more information about the programme of events inside the Media Zone please visit: <http://sdgmz.org/>
58. To schedule a visit or event please contact Francyne Harrigan [harriganf@un.org](mailto:harriganf@un.org)



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## DRAFT PROGRAMME

10:00-10:30	<p><b>Opening segment</b> (Trusteeship Council Chamber)</p> <p><i>Statements by</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>H.E. Mr. Peter Thomson, President of the 71st session of the United Nations General Assembly,</i></li> <li>• <i>H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations</i></li> <li>• <i>H.E. Dr. Margaret Chan, Director-General of the World Health Organization</i></li> <li>• <i>H.E. Mr. José Graziano da Silva, Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations</i></li> <li>• <i>H.E. Dr. Monique Eloit, Director General of the World Organization for Animal Health</i></li> </ul>
10:30-11:45	<p><b>Plenary segment</b> (Trusteeship Council Chamber)</p> <p><b>Panel 1: Relevance of addressing antimicrobial resistance for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, in particular the health-related Goals</b> (ECOSOC Council Chamber)</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i> <i>Member States:</i> <i>Stakeholders:</i></p>
11:45-13:00	<p><b>Panel 2: Addressing the multisectoral implications and implementation challenges of antimicrobial resistance in a comprehensive manner</b> (ECOSOC Council Chamber)</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i> <i>Member States:</i> <i>Stakeholders:</i></p>
15:00-17:30	<p><b>Plenary Segment</b> (Trusteeship Council Chamber)</p>
17:30-18:00	<p><b>Closing segment</b> (Trusteeship Council Chamber)</p> <p><i>Closing statement by H.E. Mr. Peter Thomson, President of the 71st session of the United Nations General Assembly</i></p>