



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

17 November 2015

Excellency,

I refer to my letter dated 6 November 2015 through which I informed you of the informal meeting of the General Assembly scheduled on 19 November 2015 to consider ways to advance a comprehensive response to the global humanitarian and refugee crisis.

The informal meeting will consist of interventions from a number of panellists followed by an interactive discussion between Member States, the UN system and other stakeholders. The programme of the informal meeting is enclosed.

Please note that there will be no list of speakers for the informal meeting and Member States are encouraged to engage in an interactive discussion with the panellists and to make their formal statements at the plenary meeting the following day.

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

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

**Informal Meeting of the General Assembly to Consider Ways to Advance a
Comprehensive Response to the Global Humanitarian and Refugee Crisis**

19 November 2015, 3-6 pm, Trusteeship Council

DRAFT PROGRAMME

15.00-15.15 Opening Remarks:

- H.E. Mogens Lykketoft, President of the UN General Assembly
- H.E. Jan Eliasson, UN Deputy Secretary-General

Interactive Panel discussion

15.15-15.25 Introductory remarks by the Moderator

- Mr. Antonio Guterres, UN High Commissioner for Refugees

Video by UNHCR on the Global Refugee Crisis

15.25-16.15 Providing protection including through third country resettlement and other legal avenues

- Mr. David Miliband, President and CEO of International Rescue Committee
- Ms. Leila Zerrougui, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict

Presentation by panellists followed by interactive discussions with Member States and other stakeholders.

16.15-17.10 Ensuring adequate and predictable financing for humanitarian action

- H.E. Ms. Kristalina Georgieva Co-Chair of the High Level Panel on Humanitarian Financing
- Mr Stephen O'Brien, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator

Presentation by panellists followed by interactive discussions with Member States and other stakeholders.

17.10-17.55 Increasing support to receiving countries that are bearing the greatest burden

- Ms. Helen Clark, Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme
- Mr. Mahmoud Mohieldin, Corporate Secretary and Special Envoy of the President of the World Bank Group

Presentation by panellists followed by interactive discussions with Member States and other stakeholders.

17.55 Closing Remarks