



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

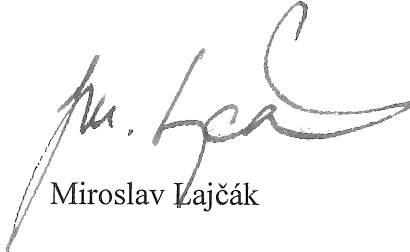
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Excellency,

The General Assembly resolution 72/243 decided to hold a High-level plenary meeting of the Nelson Mandela Peace Summit in 2018, a day before the start of the general debate, in honour of the centenary of the birth of Nelson Mandela.

I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter dated 30 May 2018 from H.E Mr. Jerry Matjila, Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations and H.E Ms. Geraldine Byrne Nason, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the United Nations, the co-facilitators for the Nelson Mandela Peace Summit, on a meeting with non-governmental organizations that are in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council with relevant expertise on Friday 1 June 2018, at 10 am in Conference Room 8, to hear views on elements of the political declaration as part of the preparatory process.

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



Miroslav Lajčák

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



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Colleagues,

On 22 December 2017, the General Assembly of the United Nations decided unanimously to convene a high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly, to be known as the Nelson Mandela Peace Summit, on 24 September 2018, focusing on global peace in honour of the centenary of the birth of Nelson Mandela.

On 12 January 2018, the President of the General Assembly appointed H.E. Jerry Matthews Matjila, Permanent Representative of the Republic of South Africa, and H.E. Ms. Geraldine Byrne Nason, Permanent Representative of Ireland, to co-facilitate an open, transparent and inclusive intergovernmental negotiations with all Member States and intergovernmental organizations that have observer status with the Assembly, with a view to producing a short and concise political declaration for adoption at the opening plenary meeting of the Nelson Mandela Peace Summit.

We have the honour to invite non-governmental organizations that are in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council to a meeting on Friday 1 June 2018, at 10 am in Conference Room 8, to hear views on elements of the political declaration as part of the preparatory process.

We are looking forward to engaging with you on this important subject.

Please accept the assurance of our highest consideration



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Permanent Representative  
of the Republic of South Africa  
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**To: Non-governmental organizations that are in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council  
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