Excellency,

Pursuant to operative paragraph 22 of General Assembly resolution 76/187, the General Assembly invited the President of the General Assembly, in cooperation with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and with the involvement of relevant stakeholders, to hold a high-level debate on the theme “Enhancing youth mainstreaming in crime prevention policies” and to prepare a summary of the discussion for transmission to the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and to all Member States.

In this regard, I have the honour to inform that the High-level Debate will take place on Monday, 6 June 2022, at 10 a.m., at United Nations Headquarters. This event will provide a timely opportunity for Member States to exchange views about opportunities and challenges in mainstreaming youth in crime and violence prevention policies and practices, including the design, implementation and coordination of policies and programmes that target youth both as victims and (potential) offenders, as well as initiatives that aim to mobilize and empower youth as agents of change and contribute to more effective, evidence-based prevention. I encourage Member States to participate at the ministerial level in the debate.

This one-day high-level debate will consist of an opening session and a general debate, followed by an interactive panel discussion and a closing segment. The concept note for the event will be circulated in due course.

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

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