26 January 2024

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that I will convene the following commemorative plenary meetings of the General Assembly:

- Thursday, 21 March 2024 at 10 a.m. Commemorative meeting to mark the **International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination**, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 78/234;
- Monday, 25 March 2024 at 10 a.m. Commemorative meeting to mark the **International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade**, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/7; and,
- Wednesday, 17 April 2024 at 3 p.m. High-level event to commemorate the **tenth anniversary** of the adoption of the outcome document of the high -level plenary meeting of the General Assembly known as the **World Conference on Indigenous Peoples**, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 78/189.

In keeping with General Assembly decision 78/503 entitled "Organization of the seventy-eighth session" on the format of such commemorative meetings, Member States are encouraged to deliver regional group statements.

The program for each meeting will be circulated in due course.

For any additional information, your Office may contact Ms. Sim Mellouh (sim.mellouh@un.org), Deputy Team Leader, or Ms. Isabel Avomo Sima (isabel.avomosima@un.org), Senior Adviser of the Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs Team of my Office.

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

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