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PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that in pursuance of my priorities for the 79th session of the General Assembly under the theme "Unity in diversity, for the advancement of peace, sustainable development, and human dignity for everyone, everywhere", I will convene with the support of the International Labour Organization (ILO), an informal interactive dialogue entitled "Childhood with dignity: Eliminating child labour in all its forms, including forced recruitment and use of children in armed conflict".

The informal interactive dialogue will be held on Tuesday, 13 May 2025 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, United Nations Headquarters, New York.

The objective of the informal interactive dialogue is to raise awareness and accelerate efforts towards the elimination of child labour in all its forms, including the forced recruitment and use of children in armed conflict. It would also be an opportunity to share best practices and to identify challenges and gaps in the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, including SDG 8 (Target 8.7) ahead of its review at the High-level Political Forum in July 2025 and the Second World Summit on Social Development in November 2025.

The concept note for the meeting is attached herewith. A detailed programme will be circulated in due course. For any additional information, your Office may contact Ms. Sim Mellouh, Team Leader (sim.mellouh@un.org) or Ms. Nhat Nguyen, Adviser (nhat.nguyen1@un.org) at my Office.

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

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