

10 October 2025

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the appraisal of the United Nations Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons to be held on 24 and 25 November 2025 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

In accordance with paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution A/RES/79/286, two interactive panel discussions will be held on 24 November 2025, one from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. and the other from 4.30 p.m. to 6 p.m., addressing the following themes:

- 1) Interactive panel discussion 1: The Global Plan of Action and enduring trafficking issues and gaps which should, inter alia, address the current challenges, gaps and opportunities in implementation of the Global Plan of Action, including child trafficking, trafficking for forced labour and the link between trafficking in persons and organized crime groups.
- 2) Interactive panel discussion 2: The Global Plan of Action and emerging issues, such as trafficking in persons through new technologies, including the role of artificial intelligence, and trafficking for forced criminality.

Each of the two panels will be co-chaired by two representatives, one from a developed country and one from a developing country, to be appointed by the President of the General Assembly.

A chair of each interactive panel discussion will present summaries of the discussions at the closing segment of the high-level meeting.

In this regard and in your capacity as Chair of your regional group for the month of October 2025, I kindly request your support in consulting with Member States to submit nominations for co-chairs from your group to my Office no later than 7 November 2025.

Chairs of Regional Groups for the month of October 2025

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For any additional information, your office may contact Ms. Karolina Janiak, Senior Advisor on Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs in my Office, by e-mail at Karolina.Janiak@un.org.

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

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