



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

11 March 2015

Excellency,

In accordance with Resolution 69/16 of 21 November 2014, I have the honour to inform you that I will convene a plenary meeting of the General Assembly to commemorate the International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade, on 25 March 2015 from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall.

The theme for the 2015 International Day of Remembrance is “Women and Slavery”. The meeting will immediately be preceded by the unveiling ceremony of the “*Ark of Return*”, the Permanent Memorial to honour the victims of slavery and the transatlantic slave trade.

In keeping with the decision of the General Assembly on the format of such meetings, Member States are encouraged to deliver regional statements during the commemorative meeting. A programme for the Commemoration will be availed in due course.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sam K. Kutesa', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Sam K. Kutesa

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Permanent Observers to the United Nations
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