From: United Nations High Representative for the Alliance of Civilizations

To: UNAOC Group of Friends and all participants of the UNAOC open meeting (Thursday, 26 June 2014, ECOSOC Room, Conference Building, UNHQs, New York)

Annotated Agenda

1) Role of Young People in Peacebuilding
Youth is one of the core pillars of the UNAOC’s mandate, as recommended by the High Level Group in its founding Report on the Alliance of Civilizations. It is supported through a range of action-oriented projects, namely Summer Schools that are organized by UNAOC on an annual basis; Youth Solidarity Fund project; Entrepreneurs for Social Change project; and Plural+ Youth Video Festival, which UNAOC leads in close cooperation with International Organization for Migration.

Furthermore, UNAOC is a member of the United Nations Inter-Agency Network on Youth Development and a sub-group on youth and peacebuilding at the United Nations. In preparation of the Sixth UNAOC Forum in Bali, UNAOC will host a youth event for 100 international and Indonesian youth, as well as organize a thematic session on Role of Young People in Peacebuilding. The latter will be a result of a close collaboration between UNAOC, civil society groups, Peacebuilding Support Office, and other United Nations agencies and departments that contribute to promoting youth participation.

The High Representative has invited Ms. Judy Cheng-Hopkins, United Nations Assistant Secretary-General for Peacebuilding Support, and Mr. Ahmad Alhendawi, United Nations Secretary-General’s Envoy on Youth, to deliver remarks on this topic. The speakers will brief participants on the current policy work at the United Nations in the area of youth, including peacebuilding processes.

2) Preparations for the Sixth UNAOC Global Forum (Bali, Indonesia, August 29-30, 2014)
The High Representative will invite the Permanent Representative of Indonesia to provide an update on the practical preparations for the Sixth UNAOC Global Forum in Bali, in coordination with the UNAOC (including protocol, registration process, etc).

By June 26, all delegations – members of the Group of Friends will have received a formal letter of invitation to the Bali Forum, as well as tentative Programme, Concept Paper, Administrative Arrangements for Official Delegations Circular and a link to the Bali Forum website.

In preparation for the Forum, delegations will receive a draft Bali Outcome Document which the High Representative for the Alliance of Civilizations will invite Ministers and Heads of International Organizations present at the Forum to adopt by consensus. Consultations with all delegations on the final Outcome Document will take place between June and July 2014.

3) UNAOC Trust Fund and Call for Contributions
The High Representative will brief membership on the status of the UNAOC Trust Fund and invite states and organizations to pledge their support to UNAOC.

4) AOB
Programme
UNAOC Group of Friends Meeting – Permanent Representatives’ level,
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14:45-15:00, arrival of participants to the venue (ECOSOC Room, Conference Building, UNHQs)

15:00 – 16:00 Opening Session

The United Nations High Representative for the Alliance of Civilizations welcomes all participants and chairs the meeting:

- Introductory remarks by H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, United Nations High Representative for the Alliance of Civilizations;
- Remarks by Ms. Judy Cheng-Hopkins, United Nations Assistant Secretary-General for Peacebuilding Support, Peacebuilding Support Office;
- Remarks by Mr. Ahmad Alhendawi, United Nations Secretary-General’s Envoy on Youth;
- Co-sponsors (Spain and Turkey);
- Remarks by the Host of the Sixth UNAOC Forum in Bali, Indonesia (August 29-30, 2014);
- H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, United Nations High Representative for the Alliance of Civilizations opens the floor to all participants of the meeting;
- AOB

16:00 – 17:50 General Discussion

*List of Speakers will be prepared on the basis of requests, submitted to UNAOC by June 24, 2014.*

17:50 – 18:00 Closing Session

- Q&A with civil society and media representatives;
- Concluding remarks by the United Nations High Representative for the Alliance of Civilizations.

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