



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

20 January 2015

Excellency,

Following my letter of 12 November 2014 informing you that upon the request of a group of Member States I will convene on 22 January 2015 an informal meeting of the plenary of the General Assembly to address concerns of a rise in anti-Semitic violence worldwide, please find enclosed a provisional programme of the event.

Your personal participation at the meeting will be highly appreciated.

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

To All Permanent Representatives and  
Permanent Observers to the United Nations  
New York

Provisional Programme  
**Informal meeting of the General Assembly**  
**to address concerns of a rise in anti-Semitic violence worldwide**  
 22 January 2015

9:00 a.m.	<p><b><u>Morning (General Assembly Hall)</u></b></p> <p><b>Opening segment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>H.E. Mr. Álvaro Mendonça e Moura</b>, Acting President of the General Assembly</li> <li>• <b>H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon</b>, Secretary-General (video message)</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Bernard-Henri Lévy</b>, French intellectual, philosopher and writer, Keynote speaker</li> </ul> <p><b>Statements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hon. <b>Steven Blaney</b>, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, Canada</li> <li>• H.E. <b>Harlem Désir</b>, State Secretary for European Affairs, France</li> <li>• H.E. <b>Michael Roth</b>, Minister of State for Europe at the Federal Foreign Office, Germany</li> <li>• H.E. <b>Samantha Power</b>, Permanent Representative of the United States to the United Nations and member of President Obama's Cabinet</li> </ul> <p><b>List of speakers</b> (limited to 3 minutes)</p>
3:00 p.m.	<p><b><u>Afternoon (Trusteeship Council Chamber)</u></b></p> <p><b>Panel discussion</b></p> <p>Moderator: <b>H.E. Mr. Álvaro Mendonça e Moura</b>, Acting President of the General Assembly</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hon. Mr. Theodore E. Deutch</b>, Representative, United States House of Representatives</li> <li>• <b>Hon. Prof. Irwin Cotler</b>, P.C., O.C., M.P., House of Commons, Canada, Former Minister of Justice &amp; Attorney General of Canada, Emeritus Professor of Law, McGill University</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Wade Henderson</b>, President and CEO of The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights and The Leadership Conference Education Fund</li> <li>• <b>Ms. Elisa Massimino</b>, President and Chief Executive Officer, Human Rights First</li> <li>• <b>Prof. Robert S. Wistrich</b>, Director, The Vidal Sassoon International Center for the Study of Antisemitism, Hebrew University of Jerusalem</li> </ul>
4:30 p.m.	<p><b>Discussion</b> – Continuation of list of speakers from the morning, plus requests from the floor</p>
5:40 p.m.	<p><b>Wrap-up</b> – Closing remarks by the panellists and the Acting President of the General Assembly</p>