



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

23 March, 2016

Excellency,

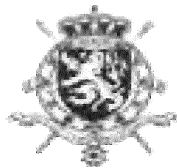
Further to my letter, dated 18 March 2016, regarding a provisional programme for the meeting of the experts in preparation for the comprehensive high-level midterm review of the implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action to be held in New York on 28-31 March 2016, I am pleased to forward a letter from the co-facilitators, H.E. Ms. Bénédicte Frankinet, Permanent Representative of Belgium and H.E. Mr. Jean-François Régis Zinsou, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Benin, detailing further arrangement for the meeting of the experts.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mogens Lykketoft', written in a cursive style.

Mogens Lykketoft

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



New York, 22 March, 2016

Excellency,

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Office of the PGA

We have the honor to refer to the letter dated 18 March, 2016 from the President of the General Assembly informing you about the provisional programme of the Preparatory meeting of Experts in preparation for the high-level midterm review of the Istanbul Programme of Action to be held in New York from 28 to 31 March 2016.

The agenda includes a first day meeting (28 March) including substantive preparations for the midterm review and general statements on the draft outcome document. Oral statements should not exceed three minutes.

Consultations with stakeholders will take place during the second day (29 March) in the morning, followed by consideration of the draft outcome document until the end of the meeting of experts.

The co-facilitators encourage delegations to use the remaining sessions of the Preparatory meeting to provide substantive comments and guidance on the draft outcome document. The co-facilitators will collect all inputs received throughout the preparatory meeting, which is however not intended to be a drafting meeting.

We look forward to your continued support for the review, as well as your constructive engagement in the negotiation process.

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

H.E. Mrs. Bénédicte Frankinet  
Co-Facilitator  
Permanent Representative of Belgium  
to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Jean-François Régis Zinsou  
Co-Facilitator  
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