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Implementation Review Group: second resumed ninth session

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the [...] and has the honour to invite the Government to participate in the **second resumed ninth session of the Implementation Review Group**, which will be held in Vienna from 12 to 14 November 2018, Plenary Hall, M-Building, Vienna International Centre (the proposed organization of work is contained in Annex I).

The Implementation Review Group was established by the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption in its resolution 3/1, entitled "Review mechanism", as an open-ended intergovernmental group of States parties to operate under its authority and report to it. The Group is to have an overview of the review process in order to identify challenges and good practices and to consider technical assistance requirements in order to ensure effective implementation of the Convention.

In accordance with the multi-year workplan for the analytical work of the Group, covering the period 2017–2019, the second resumed ninth session of the Group will focus on analysing the successes, good practices, challenges, observations and technical assistance needs emanating from the country reviews of Chapter III (Criminalization and law enforcement) and Chapter IV (International cooperation) of the Convention.

The documentation for this session, including the annotated provisional agenda and proposed organization of work, will be available electronically in all the official languages of the United Nations on the web page of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, and can be accessed through the following addresses:

https://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/corruption/IRG/session9-second-resumed.html or http://myconference.unov.org

Enclosed is a copy of an information note for participants regarding administrative details and instructions to facilitate travel, visa, hotel and other arrangements, as well as an information circular regarding the VIC Online Services.

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It would be appreciated if the Government's response to this invitation could be sent directly to the Secretariat of the Conference of the States Parties, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, PO Box 500, 1400 Vienna, Austria, or a scanned copy by email to: <a href="mailto:uncac@un.org">uncac@un.org</a>.

Information on the composition of the Government's delegation, including name(s), title(s) and contact details (email address), should be provided to the Office as soon as possible and not later than **29 October 2018**. In determining the composition of the delegation, the Government is encouraged to give consideration to gender parity.

24 September 2018

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## Annex I

## Proposed organization of work

Date and time	Item	Title or description
Monday, 12 November 2018		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	1 (a)	Opening of the session
	1 (b)	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
	3	Performance of the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the Convention
3–6 p.m.	5	Financial and budgetary matters
	2	Review of implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption
Tuesday, 13 November 2018		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	2	Review of implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (continued)
3–6 p.m.	4	Technical assistance
Wednesday, 14 November 2018		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	4	Technical assistance (continued)
3–6 p.m.	6	Other matters
	8	Adoption of the report of the Implementation Review Group on its second resumed ninth session