

Reference: CU 2018/217/(B)/DTA/CEB prevention of corruption

The Secretariat of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption presents its compliments to the [[[AddressLine1]]] and has the honour to draw the attention of the Government to resolution 7/5 of the Conference of the States Parties, entitled "Promoting preventive measures against corruption" and resolution 7/6, entitled "Follow-up to the Marrakech declaration on the prevention of corruption".

In accordance with these resolutions, the Government is cordially invited to participate as an observer in the **ninth meeting of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on the Prevention of Corruption,** which will be held in Vienna, Austria, from 6 to 7 September 2018.

Documentation will be electronically available in all the official United Nations languages at the Internet page of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and can be accessed through the following address: http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/corruption/WG-Prevention/working-group-on-prevention.html.

Attached are copies of the annotated provisional agenda and proposed organization of work for the meeting as well as an information note for participants regarding administrative details and instructions to facilitate travel, visa, hotel and other arrangements.

The agenda for the meeting has been set in accordance with the resolutions 7/5 and 7/6 of the Conference. In its resolution 6/1, the Conference requested the Secretariat to structure the provisional agendas of the subsidiary bodies established by the Conference in such a way as to avoid the duplication of discussions, while respecting their mandates. In considering their travel arrangements for this meeting, delegations are urged to take into account the agenda and programme of work of the Implementation Review Group (IRG), to be held from 3 to 5 September 2018, in view of the goal to maximize the cross-fertilization of the discussions held by the Working Group on Prevention and the IRG. In this regard, it is recalled that, in accordance with the multi-year work plan for the analytical work, as agreed for the IRG and the other subsidiary bodies for the period 2017-2019, the main focus of the first resumed ninth session of the IRG will be on prevention.

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In its resolution 7/5, entitled "Promoting preventive measures against corruption", the Conference decided that the Working Group should include as the topic for 2018 the use and effectiveness of asset declaration systems and conflicts of interest. The topics for discussion at the forthcoming meeting of the Working Group will therefore be:

- (a) preventing and managing conflicts of interest (art. 7, para. 4); and
- (b) asset and interest disclosure systems (art. 8, para. 5).

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 to the United Nations Convention against Corruption, Corruption and Economic Crime Branch, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, P.O. Box 500, 1400 Vienna, Austria, Fax: +43-1 26060 6711, or a scanned copy to email: UNCAC.COP@unodc.org. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales/letters will be accepted by email. Information on the composition of the Government's delegation, including name(s), title(s) and contact details, should be provided to the Office as soon as possible and not later than 24 August 2018.

7 June 2018