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Sixth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament

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Dear Madam Speaker, Dear Mr. Speaker,

We have the pleasure of inviting you to the Sixth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament. This event is being organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), in close collaboration with the United Nations, and will take place from 29 to 31 July 2025 at the Palais des Nations (United Nations Office at Geneva). The Speakers' Conference will be preceded by the 15th Summit of Women Speakers of Parliament, to be held on 28 July 2025 (separate information to follow shortly).

The Conference, first established in 2000 on the eve of the United Nations Millennium Summit, aims to provide a unique forum for high-level engagement and dialogue among parliamentary leaders from around the world. Previous Conferences, held every five years since then, have served as catalysts for shaping and strengthening the parliamentary dimension of global governance, thereby helping to bridge the democracy gap in international affairs. This occasion will mark the culmination of two years of work by a Preparatory Committee of approximately 20 Speakers of Parliament from all regions of the world, and promises to be the largest ever gathering of its kind. In keeping with the IPU's inclusive approach, it will also feature prominent leaders from other international organizations, academia and civil society organizations, as well as the media.

The Sixth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament is coming at a critical moment for the multilateral system, including the United Nations, in which effective international cooperation is ever more vital but also ever more elusive amid rising global conflict and mistrust. We expect the Conference to make an important contribution to advancing strong and effective multilateralism, as parliaments and their members are called upon to promote democracy and accountability in international affairs, carry out parliamentary diplomacy for peace, bring the people's voice to the United Nations, and translate global commitments into national realities. Further information about the World Conference of Speakers of Parliament, its background and outcomes, is available in the dedicated section of the IPU website <a href="https://energy.com/here/browness/brow

It goes without saying that your personal contribution to the Conference is very important to us. We very much hope that you will be able to accept our invitation and join your fellow Speakers from around the world at this unique event.

Yours sincerely,

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