

19 July 2019

Excellency,

The General Assembly by its resolution 73/40 adopted on 5 December 2018, entitled "Follow-up to the 2013 high-level meeting on the General Assembly nuclear Disarmament" reiterated its request to the President of the General Assembly to organize, on 26 September every year, a one-day high-level plenary meeting of the Assembly to commemorate and promote the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons.

I have the honour to inform you that pursuant to the resolution, the high-level plenary will take place on Thursday, 26 September 2019, during the seventy-fourth session of the General Assembly, in Conference Room 4, at 11:00 a.m.

This high-level meeting will raise awareness about the threat posed to humanity by nuclear weapons and the necessity for their total elimination in order to mobilize international efforts towards achieving the common goal of a nuclear-weapon-free world.

Member states are encouraged to be represented at the highest possible-level. Further details of the programme of event would follow in due course

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

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To All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers tot eh United Nations New York

High-Level Plenary Meeting to Commemorate and Promote the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons

26 September 2019 Conference Room 4

Provisional Programme

| 11:00 a.m11:20 a.m. | Opening |
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| | Statement by the President of the General Assembly Statement by the Secretary- General |
| 11:20 a.m 1:00 p.m. | - Statements by Member States |
| 3:00 p.m 6:00 p.m. | - Statements by Member States ¹ - Remarks by representatives of NGOs |

¹ Member States are encouraged to limit their statements to 4minutes.