



Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations

New York, 27 July 2017

Excellency,

We are pleased to write to you in our capacity as co-facilitators to lead the intergovernmental consultations and negotiations on issues related to the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration, the intergovernmental conference, as well as their preparatory process.

The fifth informal thematic session entitled "Smuggling of migrants, trafficking in persons and contemporary forms of slavery, including appropriate identification, protection and assistance to migrants and trafficking victims" will take place on 4-5 September 2017 at the United Nations Office at Vienna.

We kindly invite all Member and Observer States to this meeting and are looking forward to having interesting and constructive discussions. Your engagement is key to ensuring the positive outcome of this process.

In preparation for the fifth informal thematic session, we have the honour to transmit to you a procedural note which provides information regarding the format and tentative agenda of the two-day meeting. In this context, we would also like to kindly draw your attention to our letter dated 14 July, providing delegations some guidance on their interventions for the sessions.

In addition to the informal thematic session, we are pleased to invite stakeholders to an informal dialogue on 5 September from 9:00 am to 9:50 am, in accordance with resolution 71/280, paragraph 8. All Member and Observer States are kindly invited to attend as well.

Please note that information on the preparatory process is continually being updated on the dedicated website: https://refugeesmigrants.un.org/migration-compact.

Finally, please be reassured that the co-facilitators are fully at your disposal and we therefore encourage delegations to reach out in case of questions or concerns.

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

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