

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representatives of Member States and to the Permanent Observers of non-Member States to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the 2008 Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM), which entered into force on 1 August 2010.

Article 11(1) of the Convention states that the “States Parties shall meet regularly in order to consider and, where necessary, take decisions in respect of any matter with regard to the application or implementation of this Convention [...]”. Pursuant to Article 11(1), the Twelfth Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention (held from 10 to 13 September 2024) decided to convene the Thirteenth Meeting of States Parties in Geneva, the Swiss Confederation, from 16 to 19 September 2025.

Furthermore, the United Nations General Assembly, in paragraph 9 of its resolution 79/58 of 9 December 2024 entitled “Implementation of the Convention on Cluster Munitions”: “requests the Secretary-General to continue to convene the Meetings of States Parties to the Convention and to continue to render the necessary assistance and to provide such services as may be necessary to fulfil the tasks entrusted to him under the Convention and in the relevant decisions of the Meetings of States Parties and the second Review Conference”.

In accordance with these provisions, the Secretary-General has the honour to convene the Thirteenth Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on Cluster Munitions from 16 to 19 September 2025 at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, Switzerland.

The Secretary-General has the further honour, on behalf of the States Parties, to invite the States not parties to the Convention, as well as the relevant international organizations or institutions and non-governmental organizations, to participate in the Meeting as observers.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, in accordance with Article 14, paragraph 1, of the Convention, “the costs of the Meetings of States Parties [...] shall be borne by the States parties and States not party to this Convention participating therein, in accordance with the United Nations scale of assessment adjusted appropriately”.

The composition of delegations to the Thirteenth Meeting of States Parties should be uploaded on e-deleGATE, under the module List of Participants, by Friday, 29 August 2025. The module will open for inscriptions as of Monday, 30 June 2025.

Additional information on the arrangements for the Meeting will be communicated to Permanent Missions and to Permanent Observer Missions by the Secretariat of the Thirteenth Meeting of States Parties in due course.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Representatives of Member States and to the Permanent Observers of non-Member States to the United Nations the assurances of his highest consideration.



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