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Permanent Missions of States Parties to the Convention on Cluster Munitions, CCM Signatory States, Observer States, and International Organisations and Civil Society organisations

Excellencies, dear colleagues,

16 - 17 May 2022 Intersessional Meetings of the Convention on Cluster Munitions

I have the honour to write to you in my capacity as President of the 10th Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM) and on behalf of the Coordination Committee to inform you that the 2022 Intersessional Meetings of the Convention will be held from 16 to 17 May 2022 in Geneva.

You will recall that the 2nd Review Conference of the States Parties to the Convention (2RC) decided to convene the Intersessional Meetings to discuss matters pertaining to progress in implementing the Convention, in preparation for the 10MSP. The States Parties acknowledged that the Intersessional Meetings are of great importance in evaluating our joint implementation efforts as they mark the mid-way point between annual meetings of States Parties. This year, these meetings will also provide the first opportunity to discuss progress and challenges with regards to the implementation of the Lausanne Action Plan (LAP).

The Intersessional Meeting is being organised with the kind support of the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD). On behalf of the Convention, I take this opportunity to thank the GICHD for its generosity and its commitment to our work.

The Coordination Committee is mindful of the continued restrictions caused by the global COVID-19 pandemic which continue to affect travel and, as such, has decided that the Intersessional Meetings will be held in a hybrid format. Additional information including the programme of work, information on registration and guidelines on participation will be provided in due course. Due to the meeting format, all side events will be held virtually. Those interested in hosting a side event in the margins of the

meeting are encouraged to fill out the attached form and inform the ISU (<u>info@cmconvention.org</u>) by no later than **30 April 2022.** Should you have any questions on these matters, please do not hesitate to contact me or the ISU.

The meeting will take place in Room E/F at the Centre International de Conférences (CICG), located at 17 Rue de Varembé, 1202 Geneva. Due to limited capacity of the conference room, there will be only one seat available per delegation. Should more seats become available, we will inform you as soon as possible. Registration opened today at the following link: <u>https://gichd.wufoo.com/forms/m9iwqlh0i4a2u0/</u>. The deadline for registration is **Friday, 6 May 2022.**

A limited sponsorship programme may be available for low income and affected states to participate in the meeting. Further information will be available at the CCM website: https://www.clusterconvention.org/events/2022-intersessional-meeting/

Your active participation will greatly contribute to the overall success of this meeting and reflect the continued support of your country to the global effort in putting an end to the unacceptable harm caused by cluster munitions.

For further details, please contact my team at (<u>Geneva.UKDisarmament@fcdo.gov.uk</u>) or the CCM Implementation Support Unit (ISU) <u>info@cmconvention.org</u>

Yours sincerely,

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