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To: The Permanent Missions to the United Nations of States Parties and States not party to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction

Interested non-governmental and international organizations

RE: Seventh Annual Pledging Conference for the Implementation of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention, Tuesday 1 March 2022, 13:00-15:00, Tempus 3

Excellencies, dear friends,

It is a great honour for Colombia to have been designated President of the Twentieth Meeting of the States Parties of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production, and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. My purpose in writing you today concerns my mandate to “lead efforts to mobilise sufficient resources to fund the operations of the Implementation Support Unit.”

As you may recall, the Fourteenth Meeting of the States Parties decided that “early in each year, as a rule, a conference of States Parties shall be held to collect pledges and contributions in order to obtain an overview of the funds that can be expected for the current year as well as for the foreseeable period.” Furthermore, Action #10 of the Oslo Action Plan (OAP) commits States Parties to consider providing voluntary resources for the effective functioning of the ISU, including by making multi-year commitments where feasible in accordance with the ISU 5-year work plan.

In this regard, I invite you to join me during the:

Seventh Annual Pledging Conference
for the Implementation of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention
Tuesday, 1 March 2022, 13:00-15:00, Room Tempus 3
Palais des Nations, Geneva

In addition to committing resources to the ISU, the Annual Pledging Conference has played an important role in providing a platform for States Parties in a position to do so to also announce their pledges of

support to the Convention's Sponsorship Programme as well as to share information on their global cooperation and assistance efforts in 2022 and beyond.

I would be grateful if you could confirm your participation and indicate if you would like to take the floor by sending an email to ISU at isu@apminebanconvention.org no later than **22 February 2022**. Additional information on participation will be provided to registered participants.

I look forward to your active participation.

Yours sincerely,



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