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PERMANENT MISSION OF NEPAL  
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Geneva, 29 September 2020

Excellency,

I have the pleasure to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 22 June 2020 inviting the Government of Nepal to consider becoming a pilot or “champion” country of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM). The Government of Nepal expresses gratitude to the United Nations Network on Migration and accepts the invitation as an expression of constructive engagement in the field of migration and development.

Nepal is firm in its commitment to the implementation of GCM. Labour migration is one of the fundamental aspects of Nepal’s socio-economic dimension. Our national priorities and our active involvement in the Colombo Process – a Regional Consultative Process on Overseas Employment and Contractual Labour for Countries of Origin in Asia, has encouraged us to remain actively engaged in exchanging experiences, sharing knowledges, and focusing on areas of regional and multilateral cooperation on migration. We look forward to continued engagement with the spirit of win-win cooperation for safe, regular and managed migration that also embraces full respect of human rights of migrants.

Nepal welcomes the noble initiative launched by the United Nations Network on Migration to support national migration priorities towards meeting the objectives of the GCM. Nepal and IOM enjoy good working relations ever since we joined IOM in 2006 and relevant authorities in Nepal have closely worked with the IOM Office in Kathmandu.

In this context, I have the pleasure to convey that Nepal would be happy to join this initiative and become a “pilot” or “champion” country on the GCM’s objective six - facilitate fair and ethical recruitment and safeguard conditions that ensure decent work.

Let me also take this opportunity to appreciate your visible and committed leadership during this challenging time of COVID-19 situation.

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

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