



PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

9 December 2021

Excellency,

I have the honor to refer to paragraph 49 of the General Assembly resolution 73/195 on the establishment of the International Migration Review Forum, which shall serve as the primary intergovernmental global platform for Member States to discuss and share progress on the implementation of all aspects of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, including as it relates to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and with the participation of all relevant stakeholders.

In accordance with paragraph 1 (c) of General Assembly resolution 73/326, I have the further honour to convey that the first International Migration Review Forum (the Forum), to be held under the auspices of the General Assembly and chaired by the President of the General Assembly, will take place from Tuesday, 10 May 2022 to Friday, 13 May 2022, at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

As per resolution 73/326, the Forum will consist of four interactive multi-stakeholder round tables during the first day and the morning of the second day, followed by a policy debate in the afternoon of the second day, at the beginning of which the technical summaries of the round tables will be presented; the plenary will be held during the third and the fourth days. The Forum will be preceded by a one day informal interactive multi-stakeholder hearing, to be held on Monday, 9 May 2022.

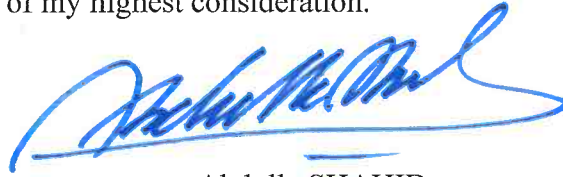
Pursuant to paragraph 25 of resolution 73/326, I intend to appoint two co-facilitators in the coming weeks to conduct open, transparent and inclusive intergovernmental consultations with a view to agreeing on the Progress Declaration ahead of the Forum.

Given the importance of addressing the challenges faced by migrants, especially in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, I invite your Governments to be represented at the highest possible political level, including Heads of State or Government, and encourage a whole-of-government and whole-of-society approach in the composition of your respective delegations to this important meeting.

All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York

I look forward to engaging with Member States, the broader UN system, and all relevant stakeholders in the preparations for the first International Migration Review Forum. Additional information will be communicated in due course.

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



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