

**Latvia's Explanation of Position/Vote on the Progress Declaration of the  
International Migration Review Forum**

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Latvia acknowledges that multilateral cooperation is indispensable for addressing global challenges in the area of migration. However, my delegation would like to recall that in 2018, following the decision of the Latvian Parliament, Latvia did not join the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration and abstained in the voting on the General Assembly resolution 73/195. Latvia does not apply the provisions of the Global Compact. Latvia therefore abstained in the votes on the amendments to paragraph 12 and on the paragraph 12 and in general does not consider itself bound by the provisions of the Progress Declaration of the International Migration Review Forum adopted today.