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To: The Permanent Missions to the United Nations of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production, and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction

The Permanent Missions to the United Nations of States not party to the Convention

Interested non-governmental and international organisations

Re: Save the date - Informal meeting in preparation for the 16-20 November 2020 Eighteenth Meeting of the States Parties (18MSP) of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention

Excellencies, dear friends,

Further to my letter to you dated 20 July, I wish to invite you to an informal meeting in Geneva to share with you an update on preparations for the 18MSP:

Informal meeting
Preparations for the Eighteenth Meeting of the States Parties
Friday, 18 September – 10:00-13:00
Council Chamber
Palais des Nations

This meeting will provide an opportunity to take stock of preparations for the 18MSP and to share information on organisational and substantial matters. Please find enclosed an agenda for the meeting as well as an updated programme for the 18MSP.

Due to the ongoing response to the global pandemic, participation in-person will be limited to the capacity of the Council Chamber taking into account social distancing measures.
In this regard, we are working to ensure that those that cannot or wish not to participate in person are able to follow the meeting and pose any questions they may have concerning the 18MSP.

For delegations able to participate in person, registration will be necessary and is now open and can be accessed here: https://indico.un.org/event/34973/

We will be communicating additional details ahead of the meeting.

We look forward to your participation.

Yours sincerely,

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