

1<sup>st</sup> September 2016

To: The Permanent Missions to the United Nations of the 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 the States not parties to the Convention

Interested non-governmental and international organizations

Re: **Preparations for the Fifteenth Meeting of the States Parties**

Excellencies, dear friends,

It was an honour to present to you, on 20 May at the Convention's Intersessional Meetings, our proposed approach to the Fifteenth Meeting of the States Parties (15MSP) and a draft 15MSP programme. With the 15MSP taking place in Chile, a mine affected country, we have a chance to show the world that landmines are still very much an issue on our agenda in order to further action toward our goal of meeting our commitments to the furthest extent possible by 2025.

My sense is that there was general satisfaction with respect to what we presented and I will now proceed on this basis. In doing so, I look forward to working closely with all interested delegations.

Regarding next steps, I wish to highlight the following:

- We have now submitted the proposed agenda and program for the 15MSP which I include in this letter. We also enclose Administrative Information to facilitate your delegation's participation. A critical element of this is the registration process which includes two steps that must be followed to ensure that your delegation is properly registered.
- We will host an informal meeting to answer any outstanding question that you may have on participation and other matters of substance regarding the 15MSP in Geneva at the **Palais des Nations, Room VIII, on Wednesday, 14 September, from 15:00 to 18:00.**

Once again, please allow me to thank you for your support. I look forward both to receiving your input on preparations for the 15MSP as well as seeing you in Santiago later this year.

Yours sincerely,



**AMBASSADOR**  
PRESIDENCY

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THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT IN GENEVA