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To: The Permanent Missions to the United Nations of the States Parties and States not party to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction

Interested non-governmental and international organisations

**Re: Invitation to the AP Mine Ban Convention Intersessional Meetings, 20-22 June 2022**

Excellencies, dear Colleagues,

It is a great pleasure to write to you in my capacity as President of the Twentieth Meeting of the States Parties (20MSP) to the *Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction* to invite you to participate in the:

**Intersessional Meetings  
20-22 June 2022  
World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO)  
Geneva**

**For registration and additional information**  
<https://new.apminebanconvention.org/en/intersessional-meetings/2022-im/>

The programme we prepared together with the Committees of the Convention provides ample opportunities for States Parties and other stakeholders to present updates or views on progress in all aspects of the implementation of the Convention. In addition, a day has been set aside to allow in-depth thematic discussions concerning important implementation issues.

The 2022 Intersessional Meetings mark the mid-way point of the implementation of the Oslo Action Plan (OAP) and as such it is important that we use this opportunity to reflect on our achievements, assess how the OAP is being implemented and take stock of the areas needing increased attention ahead of the 20MSP.

In order to enable all those who would like to provide updates to do so, I encourage all States Parties to keep their interventions on progress and remaining challenges brief and submit longer more detailed information in a written document to the Implementation Support Unit (ISU) that can be made available to all participants through the Convention's website. Attached you will find a preliminary programme for the meeting. More detailed information concerning your in-person/online participation will be forthcoming.

It would be highly appreciated if you could indicate in advance to the ISU, during which items of the programme your delegation intends to intervene by no later than **10 June 2022** in order to ensure your delegation is included in the list of speakers. Should you have any questions about the programme, please contact me or the ISU at [isu@apminebanconvention.org](mailto:isu@apminebanconvention.org).

Finally, as President, I am committed to incorporating a gender perspective in all parts of our work under the Convention. I would encourage all States Parties and other stakeholders to keep this perspective in mind when composing their delegations and in preparing their interventions. Furthermore, I am also committed to ensure a multilingual approach. In this regard, interpretation will be made available at the in Arabic, English, French, Russian, and Spanish.

I count on your continued engagement in the lead-up to the Intersessional Meetings and I look forward to seeing you in person in June.

Yours sincerely,



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and other International Organisations in Geneva  
President of the Twentieth Meeting of States Parties

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Preliminary Programme for the Intersessional Meetings  
Guidance for Participants  
Administrative Information