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Convocation of the 21st Meeting of Women Parliamentarians

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Dear Madam President, Dear Mr. President,

I am pleased to inform you that the 21st Meeting of Women Parliamentarians will take place in the National Convention Centre (NCC), and will comprise two sittings on Saturday, 28 March, from 9.30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. The provisional annotated agenda, drawn up by the Coordinating Committee of Women Parliamentarians at its session in Geneva in October 2014, is appended hereto.

At its morning sitting, the Meeting will discuss the draft resolutions of the Standing Committee on Peace and International Security and of the Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade, with a view to developing possible gender-related amendments. In the afternoon session, the Meeting will celebrate its 30th anniversary and will hold a panel discussion on Beijing +20. The panel will provide the opportunity to take stock of the implementation of the Beijing commitments, to look towards the future and to build on the past achievements. Participants will hear presentations to be followed by a debate.

As you know, Article 10.1 of the Statutes provides that each national delegation to the IPU Assembly shall include men and women parliamentarians. I therefore urge you to make a special effort to ensure that one or more women parliamentarians represent your Parliament at the Meeting of Women Parliamentarians. Men parliamentarians are encouraged to follow and contribute to the debates and I very much hope that a good number will attend.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Chungong Secretary General

Encl: Annotated provisional agenda