



Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations

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Excellency,

We write to you in our capacity as co-facilitators to lead the intergovernmental consultations and negotiations on issues related to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, the Intergovernmental Conference, as well as their preparatory process.

Ahead of the sixth and final round of intergovernmental negotiations, taking place from 9 to 13 July 2018 in Conference Room 1 at United Nations Headquarters, we are pleased to share with you the latest revised draft (Rev 3). After insightful and enriching thematic and regional consultations from April to November 2017, the productive stocktaking meeting in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico last December, and the past five rounds of constructive intergovernmental negotiations since February 2018, we are now reaching the end of our process to elaborate a Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration.

We are convinced draft Rev 3 reflects the different priorities and positions expressed by all delegations throughout the process and captures the common understanding of how to effectively address international migration in all its dimensions.

During the first two days of the sixth round of intergovernmental negotiations, Monday and Tuesday, 9 and 10 July, we will listen to delegations as they share comments on any remaining issues that merit clarification. On this basis, we will present a final text by Wednesday evening, 11 July to give sufficient time to delegations to consult with their respective capitals and enable them to conclude this process by Friday morning, 13 July. The intergovernmental negotiation process will conclude on Friday morning, 13 July, in the presence of the President of the General Assembly and the Secretary General of the Intergovernmental Conference.

Following the conclusion of the intergovernmental negotiations process on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, we will forward the text to the President of the General Assembly. In line with resolution 72/244, the President of the General Assembly, during its seventy-second session, will transmit the agreed draft Global Compact to the Intergovernmental Conference for adoption in Morocco on 10 and 11 December 2018. The General Assembly will adopt the report of the Intergovernmental Conference subsequently.

Kindly note that also during this sixth round of negotiations, a final informal dialogue with stakeholders will be held on Tuesday, 10 July from 9:00-10:00 am in Conference Room 1. Member States are invited to participate and benefit from the views expressed by non-governmental partners.

On this occasion, we wish to express our sincere appreciation to all delegations for their dedication and commitment to this common endeavor. We are grateful for the trust you have bestowed on us to guide the process thus far and count on your continued engagement for a successful outcome.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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