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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.

In accordance with paragraph 27 of General Assembly resolution 71/280, we are pleased to herewith share the zero draft of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration.

We take this opportunity to remind you that the first of six rounds of intergovernmental negotiations will begin on Tuesday, 20 February 2018, from 10:00 – 13:00 and 15:00 – 18:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. On Wednesday, 21 February 2018, the President of the General Assembly will hold the fourth multi-stakeholder hearing in the context of the preparatory process. The negotiation session will resume on Thursday, 22 February 2018, from 10:00 – 13:00 and 15:00 – 18:00, in Conference Room 4, and continue on Friday, 23 February 2018, from 10:00 – 13:00 and 15:00 – 18:00, in the ECOSOC Chamber.

The first round of intergovernmental negotiations will be dedicated to the zero draft in its entirety. Delegations are invited to share their overall impressions of the zero draft on the first day of negotiations and provide comments on the text for consideration by all Member States throughout the remainder of the negotiation round.

Kindly note that we will continue to hold informal dialogues with stakeholders in each round of negotiations, which Member States are encouraged to attend. The first informal dialogue will take place on Thursday, 22 February 2018, from 9:00 – 10:00 in Conference Room 4.

Finally, we wish to reiterate our sincere gratitude to all delegations for the support and commitment to the process thus far. We look forward to continuing working closely with you to ensure constructive intergovernmental negotiations and a positive outcome of the third phase of the process.

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

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