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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.

We are pleased to share the Draft Rev 1 of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration with you. This draft reflects the deliberations from the first and second rounds of intergovernmental negotiations, including discussions on the following areas:

- 1) Differentiation between irregular and regular
- 2) Differentiation between migrants and refugees
- 3) Implementation and capacity-building
- 4) Follow-up and review

The clarifications regarding the first two areas can be found mainly in the following sections of the Draft Rev 1: Preamble, Vision and Guiding Principles, as well as in the Cooperative Framework under Objectives 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 12, 15, 16, and 21. No changes were made to paragraph 41 regarding the capacity-building mechanism, as we are currently working on a proposal to be discussed in the fourth round of intergovernmental negotiations.

The upcoming third round of intergovernmental negotiations will take place from 3 to 6 April 2018 in Conference Room 2 at UN Headquarters in New York. On the first day, we will present and explain the changes made in the text, and invite delegations to provide general comments. We will encourage dialogue and interaction on the comments made. Subsequently, we will proceed with a full reading of the text, by discussing the draft objective by objective.

We look forward to your substantive comments, proposals and corresponding rationales, as well as to continuing our deliberations next week. We thank all delegations for their dedicated and constructive commitment to the intergovernmental negotiations thus far.

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

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