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Dear Sir/Madam,

Reference is made to the 2008 Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM) which entered into force on 1 August 2010.

You will recall that Article 12, paragraph 1 of the Convention provides that “*A Review Conference shall be convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations five years after the entry into force of this Convention. Further Review Conferences shall be convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations if so requested by one or more States Parties, provided that the interval between Review Conferences shall in no case be less than five years. All States Parties to this Convention shall be invited to each Review Conference.*”

Pursuant to article 12 of the Convention and to the decision taken by the Fifth Meeting of States Parties of the Convention (San José, Costa Rica, 2-5 September 2014) in its Final Document (CCM/MSP/2014/6 paragraphs 30 and 33), the First Review Conference will take place from 7 to 11 September 2015 in Dubrovnik, Croatia.

The First Preparatory Meeting for the Review Conference of the Convention (Geneva, 5 February 2015), in its Final Document (CCM/CONF/2015/PM.1/2), changed the date of the Second Preparatory Meeting to 24 June 2015.

You will also recall that the General Assembly of the United Nations, through its resolution 63/71, dated 2 December 2008, requested the Secretary General “to render the necessary assistance and to provide such services as may be necessary to fulfil the tasks entrusted to him by the Convention on Cluster Munitions”. In accordance with these provisions, the Secretary-General is taking all steps necessary to convene the First Review Conference and its Preparatory Meetings.


On behalf of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, I am pleased to invite your Organization to attend the First Review Conference of the Convention on Cluster Munitions and its Second Preparatory Meeting as an Observer.

The details of your delegation for the Second Preparatory Meeting and for the Review Conference should be sent by Wednesday, 10 June 2015, and by Wednesday, 26 August 2015, respectively, to the Secretariat of the meeting at the address below:

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Further information on the arrangements for the meeting will be communicated by the Secretariat in due course.

Yours sincerely,



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