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Parliaments and Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIs) partnering for greater audit impact, oversight, and accountability High-level virtual event

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Dear Madam Speaker, Mr. Speaker,

Parliaments' oversight function is critical for ensuring that people receive essential services and is thus critical for building accountability. Parliament, through its representative mandate, is the appropriate entity through which oversight should be led.

Supreme audit institutions (SAIs) are State institutions that conduct external audits of State accounts and may also carry out performance audits of government policies and programmes.

A vital aid to parliament's conduct of the scrutiny of public money is establishing liaison with the national SAI. Working closely with the SAI is a very important means of parliament tapping into essential technical expertise and of preventing mismanagement and corruption.

The IPU and INTOSAI are joining forces to bring parliaments and national SAIs together to explore how these institutions can better partner for greater audit impact in terms of oversight and accountability.

We are organizing a virtual event on 4 October 2022 for this exchange. The event will take place online in two sittings to suit participants in different time zones. Its working languages will be Arabic, English, French and Spanish.

A concept note with registration links and programme for the event is attached.

We look forward to welcoming members and staff of your relevant financial and budget committees to the event.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Chungong
Secretary General