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Parliamentary Forum at the 2024 HLPF

Dear Madam President,
Dear Mr. President,

I am pleased to inform you that this year's Parliamentary Forum at the High Level Political Forum (HLPF) will take place in the morning of Tuesday, 16 July, in New York.

The annual HLPF at the UN offers a unique opportunity to review progress toward the SDGs together with ministers, experts and civil society representatives. With the SDGs badly off track, strong parliamentary action is needed to hold governments accountable for their SDGs commitment and to institutionalize the SDGs through all relevant policies and processes.

Entitled Governance deficits and climate disasters: The case for parliamentary action, the Parliamentary Forum will focus on two Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that are under review at the 2024 HLPF, namely, SDG 16, on peace, justice and strong institutions, and SDG 13, on climate change. In two fast-paced sessions, the meeting will highlight the concrete steps parliaments can make to advance these goals and help reset the SDGs as a whole.

The draft programme of the Parliamentary Forum is attached. Updates will be posted on the Events’ page of the IPU website. Registration for the Parliamentary Forum can be done through our online portal.

As per past practice, the Parliamentary Forum is open to members of parliament attending the HLPF session as part of their national delegations. Interested parliamentarians should contact their Foreign Ministry or their Mission in New York to enquire about accreditation and other practical arrangements.

Should you require further information, my colleagues at the New York Office (ny-office@ipu.org) are available to assist you.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Chungong
Secretary General