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## 2026 Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations

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Dear Madam President,  
Dear Mr. President,

We are pleased to invite your parliament to participate in the 2026 Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations on 12 and 13 February 2026, in New York, under the theme ***Parliaments and the United Nations: Better together, delivering for the people.***

On its 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the United Nations is at a major turning point. Born from the ashes of a most destructive world war, the United Nations embodies the idea that peace, human rights and development can only be secured through dialogue and multilateral cooperation in which all countries participate on an equal footing. Today's political, economic, security and environmental challenges demand a stronger, more effective, accountable and representative United Nations system.

The 2026 Parliamentary Hearing will consider the ways in which parliaments and the United Nations can work better together to deliver a more peaceful, just, sustainable and prosperous world. The discussions will be informed by the [Pact for the Future](#), the main roadmap towards a renewed multilateral system with the United Nations at its center.

The Pact includes Action 55, a commitment "to deepen United Nations engagement with national parliaments." Some of the concrete ways in which parliaments and the United Nations can work better together were highlighted in this year's General Assembly resolution on "[interaction between the United Nations, national parliaments and the Inter-Parliamentary Union](#)." The [UN80](#) reform initiative aims to streamline and refocus the work of the United Nations system to achieve better results where it matters most.

IPU Member Parliaments are requested to register their delegations using the online form. Delegations should aim for **gender equality** and **consist of no more than six parliamentarians** representing as wide a political spectrum as possible. Delegates may wish to arrive in advance to meet with their country's Permanent Representative and select UN officials to discuss relevant UN issues.

As per usual practice, all delegates must obtain the required entry badge through their respective missions at the United Nations. A complete programme will be posted on the IPU website in the coming weeks.

We look forward to your Parliament's strong participation in this important event.

Yours sincerely,

Hon. Dr. Tulia Ackson  
President of the IPU

H.E. Ms. Annalena Baerbock  
President of the UN General Assembly