Subject: Fourteenth Meeting of the States parties to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

The Secretariat of the United Nations (Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights) has the honour to refer to the election of five members of the Committee against Torture, as provided for under article 17 of the International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and wishes to confirm that the Fourteenth Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention, which will elect five members to the Committee, is scheduled to be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva on Tuesday 1 October 2013 at 10.00 a.m., Palais des Nations, Conference Room XX.

Your Excellency's Government is invited to be represented at the Meeting and to forward, if possible by 20 September 2013, the credentials for its representative, issued either by the Head of State or Government, or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, together with the names of the other members of its delegation.

The following documents for the Meeting are available on the webpage of the Committee (http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CAT/Pages/Elections2013.aspx) of the website of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (www.ohchr.org):

a) Note by the Secretary General (CAT/SP/14/2) concerning the election of the five members of the Committee and containing a list, in alphabetical order, of all persons nominated for the election by the States Parties with an indication of the States Parties which have nominated them and including also, in an annex, the biographical data of nominees, as furnished by the States Parties concerned;

b) Note by the Secretary General concerning the withdrawal of a candidate (CAT/SP/14/2/Add.1);

c) Provisional Agenda (CAT/SP/14/1);

d) Rules of Procedure of the Committee (CAT/C/3/Rev.6);

e) Rules of Procedure of the Meeting of States Parties (CAT/SP/2/Rev.1).

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