

INTERVENTION ON REGISTRATION AND OTHER ARRANGEMENTS
FOR 9MSP

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Excellencies, distinguished colleagues, ladies and gentlemen

I would like to advise you on the issue of registration and other arrangements for the 9MSP.

You will recall that last year at the Dead Sea the 8MSP “[...] *decided to hold the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties in Geneva the week of 24-28 November 2008*”, as contained in paragraph 31 of the Meeting’s report (APLC/MSP.8/2007/6). Pursuant to the provisions of Articles 11 and 12 of APLC, the relevant decision of the Eighth Meeting of States parties, and the established practice, the Secretary–General of the United Nations has already circulated a formal invitation to all APLC States Parties as well as the observers to attend the Ninth Meeting. Copies of the note verbale by the UN Secretary-General in E, F and S, blank addressee, are available on the APLC website, as well as outside the Conference room.

The Ninth Meeting will take place in the Assembly Hall of UNOG. Four additional conference rooms, namely rooms IX, X, XI, and XVI will be at our disposal for side events. Adequate exhibition space is also provided.

I would like to remind all delegations that no formal credentials are required for this Meeting. However, delegations of States Parties and observer States, as well as the international organizations are requested to notify the Executive Secretary by **17 November 2008** the names and titles of all their official representatives as well as indicating the Head of Delegation. This information will be reflected in the List of Participants, to be issued as part of the official documents of the 9MSP.

In my capacity as Executive Secretary of the Meeting it is my intention to circulate copies of the UNSG invitation, together with the registration form for the above Meeting in due time. The registration form will be also available on the UNODA and GICHD web pages. This latter form, duly filled out by all the participants not accredited to UNOG, shall be returned to the Executive Secretary by **Friday, 17 November 2008** at the following address:

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Security identification badges for your representatives **not based in Geneva** will be prepared on the basis of the notification and the information contained in the registration forms.

Finally, in accordance with the established practice, member organizations of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines (ICBL) that wish to take part in the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties should contact the Executive Director of ICBL who will collect the necessary information and forward it to the Executive Secretary.

Thank you for your attention.