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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kenya to the United Nations cordially invites

All Permanent and Observer Missions to the United Nations
to a Ministerial High-Level Side-Event on the sidelines of the 74th Session of the United Nations General Assembly

on:
“Delivering on Peace: Peace and Political Transitions”

The Ministerial High-Level Side Event will be chaired by Amb. Monica K. Juma, DPhil, CBS,
Cabinet Secretary,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kenya

On Wednesday, September 25th, 2019
From 1:15p.m. - 2:45p.m.
In Conference Room 3
UN General Assembly Building

Kindly send a confirmation email of your High-Level delegation to: enthoki@kenyaun.org
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CONCEPT NOTE

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DELIVERING ON PEACE:
PEACE AND POLITICAL TRANSITIONS

Violence and insecurity take a high toll on the whole-of-society, and the implications go beyond fragile states. Translating peace commitments into actions is therefore a multilateral affair, and it begins with the national ownership of the peace agenda.

Organized on the sidelines of the 74th Session of the UN General Assembly, the High-Level side event will highlight country-specific approaches that target prevention, root causes of conflict, and current security and fragility challenges in order to build resilience and deliver on peace, within its borders and with its neighbors. Countries in various phases of the peace-conflict continuum will identify their own risk and preventive measures, and how the international community can meaningfully partner and support building implementable strategies around them.

This approach is in keeping with the 2016 resolutions on the review of the United Nations Peacebuilding Architecture (A/RES/70/262 and S/RES/2282), which reaffirm the primary responsibility of national governments and authorities in identifying, driving and directing priorities, strategies and activities for sustaining peace for all segments of society in partnership with various stakeholders.

Challenges to peace are complex and differ based on various political, social, economic and regional contexts. The scale and trans-national nature of contemporary conflicts calls for strategic and practical partnerships between national governments, and regional and sub-regional organizations, the United Nations, International Financial Institutions, civil society organizations, women and youth organizations, the private sector, and development partners.
The discussion will include various stakeholders and encourages focus on various elements and scenarios pertaining to delivering on peace, including:

- Regional integration
- Strategic and coordinated partnerships: Alignment of financial and development partners behind national visions
- Translation of peace agreements to sustainable & implementable frameworks
- Investing in the prevention enterprise: Financing sustainable peace and sustainable development
- Access and management of natural resources
- Violence and conflict as obstacles to economic growth
- Climate change as a cause/conflict-multiplier
- Human movement: refugees and migrants
- Mandate transitions: How best to do peacebuilding within peacekeeping
- Cross-border/trans-national challenges to peace
- The role women and youth as powerful agents for preventing and resolving conflict
- Inclusive political processes and stability: management of diverse constituencies
- Data, information and social media
- Strengthened governance including managing devolution
- Consolidation of political gains and peace dividends
- Elections as a process: securing the before, during and after