

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representatives of Member States and to the Permanent Observers of non-Member States to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the 2008 Convention on Cluster Munitions (hereinafter the Convention) and to resolution [80/52](#) entitled Implementation of the Convention on Cluster Munitions”, adopted by the General Assembly on 1 December 2025.

By operative paragraph 9 of resolution [80/52](#), the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to convene the third Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention and to continue to render the necessary assistance and to provide such services as may be necessary to fulfil the tasks entrusted to him under the Convention and in the relevant decisions of the Meetings of States Parties and the second Review Conference.

Accordingly, the Secretary-General has the honour to convene the third Review Conference during the week of 14 to 18 September 2026 in Vientiane, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, as well as its first and second Preparatory Meetings, on 30 March and 1 July 2026, respectively, at the Palais des Nations in Geneva (Swiss Confederation) and to invite all States Parties to participate, as well as States not parties to participate as observers.

On behalf of the States Parties, the Secretary-General also has the honour to invite relevant international organizations or institutions and non-governmental organizations to participate as Observers in the third Review Conference and its Preparatory Meetings.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, in accordance with Article 14, paragraph 1, of the Convention, “the costs of the Meetings of States Parties, the Review Conferences and the Amendment Conferences shall be borne by the States Parties and States not parties to this Convention participating therein, in accordance with the United Nations scale of assessment adjusted appropriately”.

The composition of delegations to the Third Review Conference should be uploaded on e-deleGATE, under the module List of Participants, by **Monday, 31 August 2026**. The module will open for inscriptions as of Monday, 29 June 2026.

Additional information on the arrangements for the Meeting will be communicated to Permanent Missions and to Permanent Observer Missions by the Secretariat of the Third Review Conference in due course.

Operative paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 80/52, also urges all States Parties to provide the Secretary-General with complete and timely information as required under Article 7 of the Convention in order to promote transparency and compliance with the Convention. This information should be directed to the Office for Disarmament Affairs at ccm@un.org, no later than **30 April 2026**.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Representatives of Member States and to the Permanent Observers of non-Member States to the United Nations the assurances of his highest consideration.



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