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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS OF POINTS OF CONTACT BY 15 APRIL 2024

The Office for Disarmament Affairs presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of Member States to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to decision 78/541 "Open-ended working group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021-2025 established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 75/240" adopted by the General Assembly on 22 December 2023.

Through this decision, the General Assemby decided to request the Secretary-General to implement the functions of manager of the **global, intergovernmental points of contact directory (POC directory)** in accordance with the consensus elements elaborated by States through the Open-ended working group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021-2025 in Annex A of the report contained in A/78/265.

While the Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) undertakes the necessary steps to establish the required password-protected website to host and manage the directory on behalf of the Secretary-General, UNODA has the honour to invite nominations of points of contact to the directory from all Member States.

Nominations will be accepted on a rolling basis, but are encouraged by 15 April 2024 ahead of scheduled intersessional meetings of the Open-ended working group in May 2024.

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For ease of reference, the Secretariat has the honour to enclose Annex A of A/78/265, which Member States may find useful as a reference document in the course of their internal deliberations relating to the nomination of points of contact to the directory.

The Office for Disarmament Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions of Member States to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

8 January 2024

Enclosure: A/78/265, Annex A