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FORUM OF YOUNG PARLIAMENTARIANS

Sunday 15 October 2017, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Multi-functional Hall (2nd floor), Parliamentary Centre, St. Petersburg

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Draft Agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. Election of one Member of the Board of the Forum

One seat is vacant on the Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians. It is to be filled by a man from the Eurasia Group for a term expiring in March 2019.

3. Country updates on youth participation

The Forum will discuss recent developments in youth participation in different countries. It will share information on successes and challenges, draw conclusions and make recommendations.

4. Contribution to the work of the 137th Assembly

The Forum will mark the 20th anniversary of the Universal Declaration on Democracy and examine from a youth perspective the draft resolution under consideration at the 137th Assembly on *Sharing our diversity: The 20th anniversary of the Universal Declaration on Democracy.*

The Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights will debate and amend the draft resolution. The members of the Forum may wish to formulate recommendations for presentation to the Committee. The Forum will also consider how to include a youth perspective in the other proceedings and outcomes of the 137th Assembly, particularly on the theme of the General Debate, *Promoting cultural pluralism and peace through inter-faith and inter-ethnic dialogue.*

5. Hearing with candidates for IPU President

The members of the Forum will have an opportunity to hear the candidates for the post of IPU President.

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6. Connecting with Sochi!

The Forum will be briefed on the 19th World Festival of Youth and Students (WFYS) due to take place in Sochi (Russian Federation) from 14-22 October 2017. The WFYS will bring together young people from many countries to discuss cultural, economic and political issues.

7. Update and discussion on the Forum's workplan and activities (2017-2018)

The Forum will discuss IPU activities in support of youth participation which took place in 2017 and the ones planned for 2017 and 2018.

8. Q&A

The Forum will be briefed on the main findings and recommendations of the IPU-UNDP Global Parliamentary Report on *Parliamentary Oversight: Parliament's Power to Hold Government to Account*, due to be launched at the 137th Assembly. Members of the Forum will be able to ask questions and discuss parliamentary oversight from a youth perspective.

9. Preparations for the 138th Assembly (March 2018)

Pursuant to Rule 6 of the Forum's Rules and Working Modalities, the Forum will appoint rapporteurs to prepare a youth overview report with a view to contributing to the draft resolutions on *Sustaining peace as a vehicle for achieving sustainable development (Standing Committee on Peace and International Security)* and on *Engaging the private sector in implementing the SDGs, especially on renewable energy (Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade).* The two resolutions will be on the agenda of the 138th Assembly (March 2018).

10. Any other business