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**Victory Over Slavery: Haiti and Beyond Exhibit Opening on 10 July**  
**Request for the participation of, and remarks by, the Secretary-General**

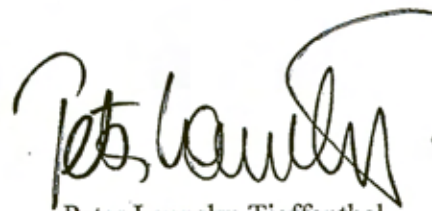
Since 2008, in accordance with General Assembly Resolution 61/19, the Department of Public Information (DPI) has organized a week of activities to commemorate the International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade, which is observed on 25 March. The process is guided by a Steering Committee composed of Member States of the African Group and the Caribbean Community who place particular importance on these activities as an opportunity to raise awareness of, and encourage contributions for, the Permanent Memorial to Honour the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade at UN Headquarters. At the request of the Steering Committee, starting in 2014, the remembrance has been extended to become a year-long programme.

Accordingly, a number of events have been scheduled throughout the year in honour of its theme, *Victory Over Slavery: Haiti and Beyond*. As part of the programme, an exhibition is currently on display at the United Nations Visitor Centre. With an overview of the Transatlantic Slave Trade as a backdrop, the exhibit presents the slaves' struggle for independence in Haiti. It also showcases the design selected for the Permanent Memorial at UN Headquarters.

The official opening reception for the exhibition has been scheduled for Thursday, 10 July at 6:00 p.m., to coincide with the ECOSOC High-level Segment. It will be sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Haiti to the United Nations, and by the Permanent Mission of Jamaica to the United Nations, in its capacity as Chair of the Permanent Memorial Committee.

We would be honoured if the Secretary-General could deliver welcoming remarks at the start of the opening reception. Given this year's theme, and the planned visit of the Secretary-General to Haiti later in July, his presence at the opening would be welcome by the Member States of the African Group and the Caribbean Community, and by the Ambassador of Haiti, who has already expressed his sincere appreciation for this year's activities.

Thank you.



Peter Launsky-Tieffenthal  
25 June 2014

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Dear Chef de Cabinet,

Good morning, please find attached a note from Mr. Launsky-Tieffenthal.



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Thanks and kind regards,

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