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PGA'S 37<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PARLIAMENTARY FORUM

THE ROLE OF PARLIAMENTARIANS IN SUPPORT OF PEACE AND SECURITY

30 NOVEMBER – 1 DECEMBER 2015

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR

*San Salvador/New York/The Hague, 12 August 2015*

Dear Speaker,

It is our distinct honor to invite you to participate in the PGA's 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Parliamentary Forum on the topic of "The Role of Parliamentarians in Support of Peace and Security", to take place in the Legislative Assembly of El Salvador in San Salvador from 30 November to 1 December, 2015. The Annual Parliamentary Forum is organized by Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA), an NGO affiliated to the United Nations with a membership of over 1,100 elected Members of Parliament in more than 140 countries, striving to promote peace, security, democracy, the rule of law, human rights, international justice, non-discrimination and gender equality.

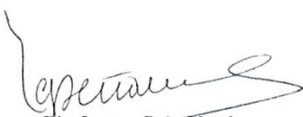
Within the framework of its Campaign for Universality and Implementation of the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), PGA Members have played an important role in support of peace and security by moving the ATT signature process forward in 44 of the 130 Countries worldwide that have signed the ATT so far and contributing to 28 of the 69 Countries that have ratified.

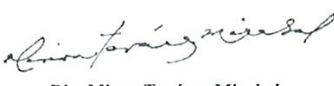
The Annual Forum represents an ideal platform upon which PGA Members can rely on to debate pressing issues with not only other members from around the world, but also with other Parliamentarians (non-members of PGA) and high-level government and/or inter-governmental officials/experts, with whom they might not have the opportunity otherwise to interact. Deliberations and plan of actions reached at the conclusion of these fora have subsequently informed and inspired key initiatives and activities of Lawmakers from around the world on various issues of international interest such as peace, disarmament, justice and human rights.

We would be very grateful, therefore, if Your Excellency could participate and/or send an official Delegation from Your Parliament to participate in this 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Forum of PGA. Please note that the working languages of the Forum will be Spanish, English, French and, if required, Arabic. We would be most grateful if you could confirm participation by an official Delegation from Your Parliament, preferably prior to September 30, 2015 to [ElSalvadorForum2015@pgaction.org](mailto:ElSalvadorForum2015@pgaction.org) with a copy to [relaciones.internacionales@asamblea.gob.sv](mailto:relaciones.internacionales@asamblea.gob.sv).

We very much hope that you will be in a position to form and send an official Delegation to this Annual Parliamentary Forum of PGA and look forward to welcoming Your Delegation in San Salvador at the end of November 2015.

Please accept the assurances of our highest esteem and consideration.

  
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