The United Nations Secretariat presents its 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 inform them that the Open-ended Working Group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021–2025, established in accordance with the General Assembly resolution 75/240 will hold its First Substantive Session from 13 to 17 December 2021 at the United Nations Headquarters, New York.

Member States would recall that at its organizational meeting held on 1 June 2021, the Open-ended Working Group elected H.E. Mr. Burhan Gafoor (Permanent Representative of the Republic of Singapore to the United Nations) as its Chair, adopted its agenda as contained in document A/AC.292/2021/1 and made decisions relating to its rules of procedure and participation in its work.

A provisional programme of work for the First Substantive Session will be issued as document A/AC.292/2021/2. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal. Requests for inscription from Permanent Missions and observer States for the general exchange of views items should be sent through the e-Speakers system, available as of 18 November 2021. Statements are limited to 5 minutes. The composition of delegations, names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal before 16 December 2021.

Further information relating to the work of the Open-ended Working Group including all relevant documentation will be posted on e-deleGATE as well as on the official website of the Open-ended Working Group: https://meetings.unoda.org/meeting/oewg-ict-2021/.

The United Nations Secretariat avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions and Permanent Observer Missions accredited to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.)

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