



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

3 April 2017

Excellency,

I am pleased to inform you that the General Assembly will consider agenda item 131 “Global awareness of the tragedies of irregular migrants in the Mediterranean basin with specific emphasis on Syrian asylum seekers” at its plenary meeting on 7 April 2017.

I would like to inform you that I intend to invite Mr Volker Turk, Assistant High-Commissioner for Protection of the United Nations High-Commissioner for Refugees, and Mr. Ashraf El Nour, Director of the Office of the International Organization for Migration to the United Nations, to deliver statements at the beginning of the debate on this item and I will seek the consent of the Assembly before giving them the floor.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Thomson', written in a cursive style.

Peter Thomson

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