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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Mission and has the honour to inform it that the Seventeenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child will take place on **29 June 2018** from 10:00 a.m. at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, Conference Room 1.

At the meeting, in accordance with article 43, paragraph 5, of the Convention on the Rights of the Child as amended (see General Assembly resolution 50/155), nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child will be elected to replace those whose terms are due to expire on 28 February 2019. The Convention provides that at that meeting, for which two-thirds of the States parties to the Convention shall constitute a quorum, the persons elected to the Committee shall be those nominees who obtain the largest number of votes and an absolute majority of the votes of the representatives of States parties present and voting.

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General prior to the meeting. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials on time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded.

Your Government is hereby invited to be represented at the Seventeenth Meeting of States parties and is requested to forward to the Secretary-General the credentials for its representative(s), by no later than **15 June 2018**. Original copies of credentials should be sent to the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Room S-3151, United Nations, New York 10017 (Fax: +1 212 963 4097) attn.: Mr. Nenad Vasic (vasic@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of the members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

The provisional agenda of the meeting is available on the CRC website hosted by OHCHR at <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CRC/Pages/Elections2018.aspx> as document CRC/SP/49.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Mission the assurances of its highest consideration.

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