



PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY



**THE PRESIDENT OF THE
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
COUNCIL**

13 February 2025

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform you that a joint meeting of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council will be convened, in cooperation with the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs, on the topic of small arms and light weapons in relation to peace and development. This meeting will take place on Monday, 17 March 2025, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The theme for this meeting is “Small Arms and Light Weapons Control for Preventing Violence and Advancing Sustainable Development.” The background note for the meeting is attached, and a detailed programme will be circulated in due course.

For further information, you may contact Ms. Aude Feltz at the Office of the President of the General Assembly (aude.feltz@un.org) and Ms. Méliné Svadjian at the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations (Meline.Svadjian@international.gc.ca).

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

Philemon Yang
President of the General Assembly
during the seventy-ninth session

Bob Rae
President of the Economic and Social
Council at its 2024-2025 session

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