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Participation of non-governmental organizations at the Fourteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice to be held from 20 -27 April 2020, in Kyoto, Japan

Rule 58 of the provisional Rules of Procedure for United Nations Congresses on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, entitled “Observers for non-governmental organizations”, provides that “observers designated by non-governmental organizations invited to the Congress may participate, without the right to vote, in the deliberations of the Congress, its committees, subcommittees and working groups”.

Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the ECOSOC, which are considered to have a substantive interest in the work of the Congress, receive an invitation from the Secretariat to participate in the Congress.

Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with ECOSOC that have not received an invitation may indicate their interest in participating to the Secretariat of the Congress through the Civil Society Team of the Secretariat (cst-crimecongress@un.org).

In accordance with ECOSOC resolution 1996/31, entitled “Consultative relationship between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations” **other non-governmental organizations without consultative status with ECOSOC** wishing to be accredited may apply through the Civil Society Team of the Secretariat (cst-crimecongress@un.org). Applications from non-governmental organizations without consultative status with ECOSOC must be accompanied by the information specified in resolution 1996/31 para 44.

The **deadline for expression of interest** of relevant non-governmental organizations to participate as observers in the Fourteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice is **10 February 2020**.

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ECOSOC RESOLUTION 1996/31

Consultative relationship between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations

Part VII

PARTICIPATION OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCES CONVENED BY THE UNITED NATIONS AND THEIR PREPARATORY PROCESS

Operative Paragraph 44

44. All such applications must be accompanied by information on the competence of the organization and the relevance of its activities to the work of the conference and its preparatory committee, with an indication of the particular areas of the conference agenda and preparations to which such competence and relevance pertain, and should include, inter alia, the following information:

- (a) The purpose of the organization;
- (b) Information as to the programmes and activities of the organization in areas relevant to the conference and its preparatory process and the country or countries in which they are carried out. Non-governmental organizations seeking accreditation shall be asked to confirm their interest in the goals and objectives of the conference;
- (c) Confirmation of the activities of the organization at the national, regional or international level;
- (d) Copies of the annual or other reports of the organization with financial statements, and a list of financial sources and contributions, including governmental contributions;
- (e) A list of members of the governing body of the organization and their countries of nationality;
- (f) A description of the membership of the organization, indicating the total number of members, the names of organizations that are members and their geographical distribution;
- (g) A copy of the constitution and/or by-laws of the organization.

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