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Dear Mr. O'Connell,

I have the pleasure to refer to draft resolution II entitled "Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and the post-2015 development agenda" recommended by the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, at its twenty-third session and adopted by the Economic and Social Council on 16 July 2014.

The main theme for the Thirteenth United Nations Crime Congress, which will be held in Qatar in April 2015, is "Integrating crime prevention and criminal justice into the wider United Nations agenda to address social and economic challenges and to promote the rule of law at the national and international levels, and public participation".

In operative paragraph 1 of the above-mentioned draft resolution, the Council invites Member States, international organizations and all relevant stakeholders to provide to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime their views regarding the contribution that the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, considering its main theme, could make to the discussions on the post-2015 development agenda, while respecting the process established by the General Assembly, and requests the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to report to the Congress on that matter.

In order to enable the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to fulfil its reporting obligation, your Organization is kindly invited to submit its views regarding the contribution that the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice could make to the discussions on the post-2015 development agenda. It would be appreciated if your contribution could be sent to the Secretariat of the Thirteenth UN Crime Congress, UNODC, Vienna International Centre, P.O. Box 500, 1400 Vienna, Austria (fax: +43-1-26060 783050, email: <u>13crimecongress@unodc.org</u>), **by 5 September 2014.** 

Yours sincerely,

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