



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
MONGOLIA



FEMALE FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING

INVITATION

Dear Colleagues,

First of all, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a Happy New Year 2023. May the New Year bring you happiness, peace and prosperity.

As a woman and Foreign Minister, I put forward an initiative to hold a Meeting of Female Foreign Ministers for the first time in Mongolia in 2022. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and geopolitical circumstances, we had to postpone the meeting last year.

This year, we are planning to host the meeting on 29-30 June 2023 in Ulaanbaatar.

Women's equal participation and leadership in socio-economic and political life has significantly improved. However, despite this progress, their share in the decision-making process still remains low globally. Mongolia strives to promote the rights of girls and women and gender equality within the framework of the UN and other international platforms. As an example, Mongolia initiated the biennial UNGA resolution entitled "Improvement of the situation of women and girls in rural areas", starting back in 1997.

Women have the potential to act as catalysts for change and development. Thus, our role and participation, as leaders in our societies, would serve the goal of addressing the challenges facing women and girls around the world. The meeting will provide an opportunity to express views from the perspective of women on international peace and security, climate change, and food security challenges.

The meeting will be held under the auspices of the President of Mongolia and it gives me great pleasure to invite you to participate in the meeting. It is my earnest hope that you will kindly attend the meeting in person. Your valuable contribution in advancing and promoting our shared common goals and views for peace and prosperity in the world will be greatly appreciated and welcomed.

Please find attached the concept note of the meeting. More details of the meeting will follow shortly.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,

Battsetseg Batmunkh

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Ulaanbaatar, 26 January 2023

