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The Department against Transnational Organized Crime (DTCO) of the Secretariat for Multidimensional Security (SMS) extends a warm greeting to the Permanent Missions to the Organization of American States (OAS). The DTCO also has the pleasure of announcing the **XLVII Meeting of the Group of Experts for the Control of Money Laundering (GELAVEX)**, which will take place in Bogota, Colombia, on September 24 and 25, 2019.

Likewise, the DTCO takes this opportunity to convene the Chair, Vice-Chair and Coordinators of the Sub-Working Groups for the coordination meeting, which will be held the previous day, September 23, 2019, in the same city.

The objective of the Plenary Meeting is to present the products created within the framework of the 2018-2019 Work Plan, based on the lines of action defined in the Strategic Plan for 2018-2020. In addition, topics which are relevant to the region will be addressed. Through these topics, it will be possible to identify progress and future challenges for regulating, preventing, detecting, investigating, and sanctioning behaviors consistent with money laundering, as well as for pursuing and managing the assets generated by these illicit activities.

Please find attached to the present letter the terms of reference for the meeting and the registration form in order to enroll for the Plenary Meeting. The Department against Transnational Organized Crime would be grateful if the Member States could please confirm their participation in the meeting by no later than September 13, 2019 by sending the attached form by way of email to jgrajales@oas.org and kmoraes@oas.org.

Additionally, an informational bulletin and the agenda will be distributed as soon as possible for the purpose of facilitating your participation in the meeting.

The Department against Transnational Organized Crime avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions to the Organization of American States the assurances of its highest consideration.

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