High-Level Meeting of Ministers in Charge of Refugees in The Great Lakes Region

Speke Resort Munyonyo
Munyonyo, Uganda
5-7 March 2019

Logistics Note

Meeting Location:
The High-Level Meeting of Ministers in Charge of Refugees in The Great Lakes Region will take place at Speke Resort, Munyonyo. a 5-star luxury resort located 38.7 km away from Entebbe International airport on the shores of Lake Victoria. (see map below). Lunch will be served on all days. Coffee and tea breaks will also be served throughout our proceedings.

Meeting Times:
• 05 to 06 March 2019, Technical Level Meeting 8:45AM – 5:00PM
  Commonwealth Banquet Hall
• 07 March 2019, Ministerial Meeting 8:45AM – 4:00PM
  Commonwealth Banquet Hall

Conference Languages:
Simultaneous interpretation will be provided during the meeting in the following languages; English, Arabic, French and Portuguese.

Medical Services:
The Government of the Republic of Uganda will provide emergency medical services to the delegates attending the high-level meeting. The Medical Support Coordinator will be Mme. Maria Nkalubo, mariannkalubo@gmail.com +256755378085

Hotel: Rooms have been blocked off at the hotel as below;

UN sponsored participants: Breakfasts will be included in your hotel reservation. During the meeting, morning and afternoon coffee breaks and a full lunch will be provided. For dinner, there are several options at a walking distance from the hotel. Complementary airport transfers during your stay will be reserved for you. Check-in time is 0900 hours; check-out is at 1000 hours.

Self-sponsored participants: Special nightly rates on bed and breakfast have been arranged for delegates wishing to be accommodated at the Speke Resort Munyonyo as below:
Standard Deluxe: US $ 144.00 per night, Double Deluxe: US $ 180.00 per night
1 Bedroom Apartment: US $ 203.00 per night Executive or Superior:US $ 282.00 per night
Executive Suite: US $ 504.00 per night Airport transfers $50 one way (3 pax capacity)

Please contact Deepak Mishra of Reservations desk directly to book your accommodation on reservations@spekeresort.com with copy to info@spekeresort.com or at +256 752 711 714 and share with us a copy of your accommodation booking. Reference is UN Displacement Meeting.
Travel:
It is the responsibility of participants to ensure that they are in possession of all necessary visas and transit visas for your travel to and from Uganda. Participants who are nationals of or have permanent residence permit in one of the eligible countries can apply for e-Visa. Please check the following official visa website to see the eligibility and requirements and apply online via https://visas.immigration.go.ug

Those who do not require visas: Kindly note that the following COMESA and East African Community countries do not require visas: Angola, Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Zambia, Tanzania. Visas will be gratis for those in possession of diplomatic IDs.

Yellow fever vaccination: Visitors coming into Uganda must possess valid yellow fever vaccination certificates. In the country, itself, precautions are needed against malaria fever, which is common in some places.

Weather: March is relatively rainy and humid. Temperatures range from 15°C at night to 28°C during the day. Delegates are advised to plan their wardrobes accordingly.

Language: English is the official business language for Uganda while the most commonly used local language in Kampala is Luganda – a dialect of the Baganda people who are the natural inhabitants of Central Uganda.

Time Zone: Standard Time in Uganda is three hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT +3) hours throughout the year.
**Currency:** The local currency is the Uganda shilling (UGX.). The current average exchange rates are (approximately) UGX 3700 = US$ 1. Bureau de change facilities are widely available. Credit cards are not widely used in Uganda. There is however no restriction on the amount of foreign currency that may be brought into the country.

**Voltage:** The Uganda power grid uses 240 volts AC 50 Hertz. Wall sockets are rectangular three pronged. Delegates are advised to bring adapters.

**Banking hours:** Are from 0900hrs to 1600hrs on weekdays and from 0900hrs to 1300hrs on Saturdays.

**Communications:** The following Ugandan mobile telephone service providers are available; MTN, Airtel, Africell and UTL. Mobile telephone service providers also provide gateway to internet using GPRS or 3G. Cell phone sim cards are widely available. However, every sim card user in Uganda is expected by law to be registered for activation. The sim card can be registered at the point of purchase, passport is required for sim card activation

**Further program questions:**
If you have any further questions on the program, please contact:

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**Further logistical questions:**
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