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REFERENCE: ODA/2025-00058/Fellowship Programme

The Office for Disarmament Affairs presents its compliments to the Permanent Representatives of Member States to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament (hereinafter Fellowship Programme) established by the General Assembly at its tenth special session, as contained in paragraph 108 of its Final Document (resolution S-10/2), the contents of which read as follows:

"In order to promote expertise in disarmament in more Member States, particularly in the developing countries, the General Assembly decides to establish a programme of fellowships on disarmament ..."

In this connection, the Office for Disarmament Affairs wishes to inform the Governments of the availability in 2026 of up to 25 Fellowships, and to invite them to nominate a candidate for the Programme. Given the limited number of fellowships available, it is requested that only one candidate per State be nominated. The nomination of women is encouraged.

The Office for Disarmament Affairs also wishes to inform the Permanent Representatives of Member States to the United Nations that the 2026 edition of the Fellowship Programme will be carried out between February and October and will include a combination of initial on-line learning (part-time activity), study and networking visits to relevant international organizations, and to specific countries upon invitation. The Fellows will be expected to travel in up to three segments (March/April, June, and October 2026). Number of travel segments and dates are to be confirmed. All travel segments are full-time activities and participation is required. In the period between the travel segments, the Fellows will be expected to work on a chosen research topic (part-time activity).

To submit her/his nomination, candidates will need to fill the <u>online application</u> by **16 January 2026** and submit by the same date the following documents to <u>undisarmamentfellowshipprogramme@un.org</u>:

- 1. Nomination Form;
- 2. Medical form
- 3. Copy of the first page of the candidate's national passport;
- 4. Note Verbale from the Permanent Mission of the Member State submitting the nomination.

Nominations received after 16 January 2026 will not be considered. Lacking all three documents indicated above, the application will be considered incomplete.

Paper copies can be addressed to:

Coordinator, United Nations Fellowship Programme Office for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva Branch S-188 United Nations Office at Geneva, Palais des Nations 1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland undisarmamentfellowshipprogramme@un.org

Annexed are the Guidelines for the awarding of United Nations Disarmament Fellowships in 2026.

The Office for Disarmament Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Representatives of Member States to the United Nations the assurances of his highest consideration.

20 November 2025

Annex enclosed