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The Department against Transnational Organized Crime (DTOC) of the Secretariat for Multidimensional Security (SMS) presents its compliments to the Obvserver Missions to the Organization of American States (OAS) and —upon the instruction of the Chair of the Group of Experts for the Control of Money Laundering (GELAVEX)— is pleased to convene the 56<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the GELAVEX, will be held in Washington, D.C., United States on May 7<sup>th</sup> and 8, 2024.

The purpose of the Plenary is to present the products developed in accordance with the Work Plan and the recommendations agreed on the 55<sup>th</sup> GELAVEX meeting, held virtually from Washington, D.C., United States of America, in October-November 2023.

The DTOC invites the **Permanent Observers** to kindly confirm their participation no later than **April 12**, **2024**, by completing the electronic form in the following link: https://forms.office.com/r/VznxvWwumx.

Delegations that cannot attend in person may register their experts to participate virtually during the meeting sessions, for the purposes of the quorum and voting provided for in article 9 of the GELAVEX Regulations.

When registering your delegation, please consider the designation of an expert representative and as many alternates as you deem appropriate, as provided in article 6 of the GELAVEX Regulations.

Each delegation that participates virtually may designate up to 2 (two) speaker delegates who will have access to the virtual platform.

To facilitate participation in the meeting, an information bulletin and draft agenda will be distributed as soon as possible.

The DTOC avails itself of this opportunity to reiterate to the Permanent Observers to the OAS the assurances of its highest consideration.