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Subject: Accession to the 1954 Convention relating to the Status of Stateless Persons

Your Excellency,

We are writing on behalf of the undersigned members of the Global Alliance and its Thematic Working Group on protecting the rights of stateless person. Our Alliance comprises a diverse range of 150+ members including governments, regional organisations, civil society organisations, and stateless-led groups.

Globally, millions of people remain stateless, placing them in a position of great marginalisation. Stateless individuals are frequently denied access to fundamental rights and public services, including but not limited to education, healthcare and lawful employment. Without identity documents, the lack of official recognition renders basic daily activities as simple as opening bank account or acquiring a mobile phone impossible.

In line with [Action 9 of UNHCR's Global Action Plan to End Statelessness 2.0](#), we encourage your Government to consider acceding to the 1954 Convention relating to the Status of Stateless Persons ('1954 Convention'). The 1954 Convention offers a robust legal framework that supports the enjoyment of the basic rights of stateless persons until they acquire a nationality. By acceding to the 1954 Convention, and implementing its provisions, your Government will also contribute to the fulfilment of [Target 16.9 of the Sustainable Development Goals](#), by ensuring that stateless persons enjoy their right to a legal identity and are not left behind.

The Thematic Working Group on protecting the rights of stateless persons of the Global Alliance looks forward to supporting your Government in its efforts to resolve statelessness, including through its accession to the 1954 Convention.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of our highest consideration.

Signed: