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Subject: **Virtual meeting for the Open Consultation on the draft guidelines for utilization of the Global Cybersecurity Agenda (GCA Open Consultation) to be held on 23 April 2020**

Dear Sir/Madam,

As mentioned in my circular letter CL-19/47 of 15 October 2019, an Open Consultation of all WSIS stakeholders on the draft guidelines for utilization of the GCA was scheduled to be held during the WSIS Forum 2020. Given that the WSIS Forum has been postponed, and considering the fast-evolving global health emergency situation, it has been decided to organize a virtual meeting for the GCA Open Consultation on 23 April 2020 from 13:00 to 14:30 CET. In light of this, an updated schedule for preparation of the draft guidelines is set out in Annex 1.

More information on the practicalities of participating in the GCA Open Consultation will be made available shortly on the [GCA website](#). In the meantime, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Preetam Maloor (preetam.maloor@itu.int).

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

Houlin Zhao
Secretary-General

Annex: Updated schedule of GCA Consultation

ANNEX

Updated schedule of GCA Consultation

9 April 2020	A draft of the guidelines, prepared by the ITU Secretary-General and based on the inputs received from Member States, will be posted online
23 April 2020	Open Consultation to be held to discuss the draft of the guidelines and inputs received
5 May 2020	The final Draft Guidelines for utilization of the GCA by the ITU to be posted online by the ITU Secretary-General
9-19 June 2020 (ITU Council)	Draft Guidelines for utilization of the GCA to be presented to the 2020 session of the ITU Council for Council's consideration and approval, along with the ITU Secretariat report on how the ITU is currently utilizing the GCA.
