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Dear Chief Justice,

As part of the events celebrating its 75th anniversary, the Federal Constitutional Court will host the international conference "How Democracies Prevail. Wie Demokratien sich behaupten". The conference is dedicated to fundamental questions of the rule of law, democracy, and the role of constitutional and supreme courts in an evolving global landscape, and will take place 20 – 22 January 2027 in Karlsruhe. We hereby cordially invite you and two other members of your esteemed court to attend.

The conference will address pivotal legal issues regarding this exceptionally important topic over the course of four working sessions and one discussion in fishbowl format. The conference languages will be English and German. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided. A draft programme of events is enclosed.

The Federal Constitutional Court will cover the costs of accommodation in Karlsruhe for you and the two other invited members of your court (conference hotel: Novotel Karlsruhe). Transfers and meals will be provided during the programme.

We very much hope to see you at the conference in Karlsruhe and would be most grateful if your attendance could be confirmed no later than 25 October 2026. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Protocol Service of the Federal Constitutional Court.

Yours sincerely,