

To High Contracting Parties to the 1954  
Hague Convention for the Protection of  
Cultural Property in the Event of Armed  
Conflict

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**Culture Sector**  
**The Assistant Director-General**

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Subject: **16th Meeting of the High Contracting Parties to the 1954 Hague Convention for  
the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict**

Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to invite one or more representatives of your government to participate in the 16th Meeting of the High Contracting Parties to the 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict, scheduled, in conformity with Resolution [15.HCP 11](#), for **1 December 2025**, in Room XI at UNESCO Headquarters (Paris, Fontenoy building).

In accordance with Rule 3.1 of the Rules of Procedure of the Meeting of the High Contracting Parties to the 1954 Hague Convention, the representatives of Member States of UNESCO that are not High Contracting Parties to the 1954 Hague Convention and Permanent Observer Missions to UNESCO may participate in the meeting as observers without the right to vote.

The provisional agenda is enclosed for your information. The working documents of the meeting will be available on our website at the following address:

<https://www.unesco.org/en/heritage-armed-conflicts/meetings-high-contracting-parties-1954>.

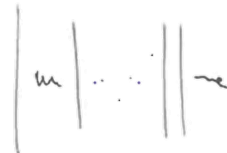
Simultaneous interpretation of the debates will be provided in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish.

I would be grateful if you could kindly confirm your participation in this meeting by registering online your representatives at your earliest convenience, by **21 November 2025**, through the following link: [Registration link](#). In the event that you encounter technical difficulties, and for any additional information, kindly send an e-mail to the Secretariat at the following e-mail address: [54hc@unesco.org](mailto:54hc@unesco.org).

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In accordance with the established rules, the travel and subsistence expenses of participants in this meeting will be borne by the government they represent.

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurance of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ernesto Ottone R.', enclosed within a rectangular box.

Ernesto Ottone R.

Enc.: Provisional agenda

cc: UNESCO Member States and Permanent Observer Missions to UNESCO