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A Statement on the Twelfth GFMD Summit (20–24 January 2020, Quito)

by Ambassador Santiago Chavez, GFMD 2019 Chair
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On behalf of the Republic of Ecuador, 2019 Chair of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD), I wish to reiterate to all Friends of the Forum – i.e., States Members and Observers of the United Nations, and other GFMD Observers – my Government's invitation to the Twelfth GFMD Summit Meeting in **Quito**.

However, in view of recent developments, I regret to inform all participating Member States and other stakeholders that **the Twelfth Summit in Quito has been postponed to 20-24 January 2020**. This decision was taken after conducting due diligence and consulting with the GFMD Troika, with the interest of participants as the host government's key consideration. I sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may cause our participants and partners.

Consequently, the **registration** for the Quito Summit has now been extended **until 29 November 2019**. If you have not done so, please register your delegations via the GFMD Support Unit at http://www.gfmd.org/meetings/ecuador2019/summit .

As designated GFMD 2019 Chair, I extend to you my Government's assurances that our historic capital remains as a peaceful and welcoming city. My Government will exert all possible efforts to ensure the safety and satisfaction of GFMD participants, in particular, and the success of the Quito GFMD Summit, in general.

I count on your continued support for the Ecuadorian GFMD Chairmanship, and look forward to welcoming your delegations to the Twelfth GFMD Summit in our beautiful city of Quito!

Yours truly,

Amb. Santiago Chávez
Chair of the 2019 Global Forum on Migration and Development

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