



To: Heads of OSCE PA Delegations
CC: Secretaries of OSCE PA Delegations

Copenhagen, 24 June 2016

Dear Heads of Delegations,

General elections will be held in the United States of America on 8 November 2016, and following an invitation to observe, the OSCE PA will deploy an election observation mission to these important elections.

Please find attached a registration form for Members wishing to observe the elections in the United States of America. We kindly ask you to return the completed form to the International Secretariat at (com@oscepa.dk) as soon as possible, but no later than **5 October 2016**. Additional information on the mission requirements and arrangements will be distributed by the International Secretariat. Please note that due to registration procedures, we may not be able to accommodate those who register after the deadline.

To ensure geographical balance within the Assembly mission, each national delegation may nominate up to 10% of the entire participation. We therefore invite each national delegation to nominate up to 10 participants.

Further information, including a detailed programme, will be distributed to participants soon. Briefings for the mission are expected to be held on 5-6 November 2016 in Washington, D.C., and Members are reminded that in accordance with the OSCE PA's Astana Declaration of 2008, participants are expected to attend the full briefing programme as well as the de-briefing on the day following the election.

I wish to remind you that national parliaments are responsible for their Members' expenses.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Iryna Sabashuk'.

Iryna Sabashuk
Head of Administration for Election Observation