

**Remarks of USG Alison Smale  
on International Mother Language Day event  
Thursday 21 February 2019  
5:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.  
Conference Room 2**

Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen, Friends and Colleagues,

Happy International Mother Language Day! It is my great pleasure to be here today to welcome you all to the United Nations and to celebrate this very important occasion.

I would like to first express my gratitude to the Permanent Mission of B

