ITALIAN-ARGENTINE ANTI-MAFIA SEMINAR

Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, 26, 27 and 28 March 2019

Considering the major negative impact crimes committed by Mafia organizations exert on the lives of citizens and their security, the transparency of institutions, the full force of democracy and the observance of human rights,

Having regard to the importance of international cooperation in the fight against organized crime,

Having regard to international treaties subscribed by our countries, such as the UN Palermo Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and its supplementary Protocols,

Considering the valuable experience gained by Italy in the fight against Mafia organizations,

Having regard to the justified demand our societies impose in favor of a determined fight against criminal organizations and their accomplices and accessories,

Therefore we the undersigned, public officials and representatives of the Argentine and Italian communities residing in both countries, hereby commit to:

- 1. Work together in the fight against organized crime;
- 2. Develop cooperation mechanisms in order to share experiences and information both in the field of security forces and in the legislative, judicial and executive branches;
- 3. Improve the anti-Mafia legislation to efficiently combat these organizations and comply with the commitments our countries have taken on by means of the Palermo Convention;
- 4. Promote the active coordination between institutions and civil society in the fight against organized crime;
- 5. Enhance institutional transparency and step up the fight against impunity and corruption both in the political as well as in the economic arenas; and
- 6. Promote the transformation of this Anti-Mafia Seminar into a regular event for representatives and public officials from Argentina and Italy to share knowledge, information and experiences.