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**GOPAC** is a worldwide alliance of parliamentarians working together to combat corruption, strengthen good government, and uphold the rule of law. Based in Ottawa, Canada, GOPAC has 62 national chapters on 5 regions. GOPAC supports its members' efforts through original research, global anti-corruption capacity building, and international peer support.

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## GOPAC Chair delivers remarks at the 2021 IPU-UN Parliamentary Hearing

**Doha, Qatar** – GOPAC Chair H.E. Ahmad bin Abdulla bin Zaid Al Mahmoud, the Speaker of the Shura Council of the State of Qatar deliver a remark during the United Nations Annual Parliamentary Hearing on Wednesday, 17 February 2021 entitled “Fighting corruption to restore trust in government and improve development prospects.”

“I believe that the allocation of this year's sessions to discuss and combat corruption is a sound decision, given the importance of fighting corruption and establishing free societies. Corruption is truly a scourge that is ravaging societies and it may constitute an obstacle to development or become a factor of instability in some societies,” said H.E. Mr. Ahmad Bin Abdulla Bin Zaid Al Mahmoud, the Chair of GOPAC and Speaker of the Shura Council of the State of Qatar.

In his remark, H.E. Al Mahmoud emphasizes the commitment of GOPAC to actively participate and contribute to the upcoming Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly on corruption through:

- Strengthening coordination and cooperation with the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union and international and regional parliamentary organizations.
- Expanding the base of parliamentarians who are members of the GOPAC Organization.
- Contributing to the preparations for the special session of the United Nations General Assembly Against Corruption.
- Doing everything that would support the efforts of international organizations and governments in the fight against corruption.

More on GOPAC Submission to the UNGASS Preparatory Process kindly view this link: [https://ungass2021.unodc.org/uploads/ungass2021/documents/session1/contributions/GOPAC\\_2nd\\_UNGASS\\_2021\\_SUBMISSION.pdf](https://ungass2021.unodc.org/uploads/ungass2021/documents/session1/contributions/GOPAC_2nd_UNGASS_2021_SUBMISSION.pdf)

GOPAC Chair full remark can be accessed here: [English](#) | [Arabic](#)

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