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The United States Mission to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions and Permanent Observer Offices to the United Nations and wishes to transmit information provided by the New York City Commissioner for International Affairs, Ms. Penny Abeywardena, on COVID-19 vaccine distribution from her February 11, 2021 discussion with the diplomatic and consular community.

As indicated in our previous circular note, HC-06-21 on February 8, 2021, the supply of COVID-19 vaccines in the United States is currently limited and the Federal Government has been providing states, including New York, with vaccines for local distribution. Dr. Jay Varma, Senior Advisor for Public Health in the NYC Mayor’s Office noted that the model used in New York City for vaccine distribution placed emphasis on the economic and structural functioning of the City. He highlighted that there would be further expansion of the categories of people who would be prioritized to receive vaccinations next month. The Mayor’s Office has provided the following websites for the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) for information on vaccine distribution:

NYC DOHMH Vaccine website generally:
(Eligibility information also available here)
https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/covid/covid-19-vaccines.page

Vaccine Distribution Data:

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Vaccine Finder:  
https://vaccinefinder.nyc.gov/

The United States Mission to the United Nations will continue to keep the UN community apprised of any significant developments related to this matter.

Inquiries concerning this and other matters related to COVID-19 may continue to be transmitted to the USUN Host Country Team via HostCountryOffice@state.gov. Past circular diplomatic notes and notices released by the Office of Foreign Missions related to COVID-19 may be found at https://www.state.gov/office-of-foreign-missions-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19-information-and-resources/.

The United States Mission to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions and the Permanent Observer Offices to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.