I send greetings to all those marking the 50th anniversary of the International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISODARCO).

The task of building a safer future requires people from around the world to engage in peaceful collaboration. For half a century, ISODARCO has brought women and men of different backgrounds and beliefs together to study and discuss pressing security concerns. By identifying problems, engaging in debate, and working in a spirit of common purpose to address issues ranging from the threat of nuclear weapons to conflict in cyberspace and the need for greater international cooperation, you are helping reduce the possibility of catastrophe and contributing to better understanding among peoples and states.

As you reflect on your achievements, I commend you for your efforts and wish you the best for the years to come.