

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you in more detail about nominating cochairpersons and inscription for Member States who wish to participate in the ministerial-level roundtables during the biennial High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development on 23 and 24 October 2007.

As you are aware from the Secretary-General's Organizational Note (A/62/271), the six interactive multi-stakeholder round tables based on the major themes of the Monterrey Consensus will be held on the morning of Wednesday, 24 October 2007. In this regard, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome nominations for co-chairpersons from each Regional Group in order to ensure an equitable geographic balance. I would therefore be grateful if each Group could propose two candidates at a level appropriate to co-chair an event with ministerial participants.

As you are aware, inscription for participation on the roundtables is on a first come first served basis. In the spirit of Monterrey, and in order to ensure an equitable geographic composition on each of the six roundtables, I propose to use the following flexible guidelines to assist Member States: each round table may have around 7 participants from African States; 7 participants from Asian States; 3 participants from Eastern European States; 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States; and, 4 from Western European and other States. As is usual, the General Assembly Affairs Branch will assist you with inscription.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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