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Excellency,

During the general debate of the sixty-second session, under the proposed theme "Responding to Climate Change", there was consensus among our leaders to develop a global response to climate change. This has given real momentum to make progress at the upcoming negotiations in Bali within the UNFCCC process. In order to sustain this momentum Member States have also expressed interest to hold further debates on climate change in the General Assembly throughout the 62nd session.

Following consultations with many delegations on this issue there seems to be a broad consensus among the membership to understand in more detail the current activities that the United Nations funds, programmes and agencies are undertaking to address climate change.

In this regard, I have the honour to attach a draft resolution that would request the Secretary General to submit a comprehensive report providing an overview of the United Nations system activities in relation to climate change. I am confident that the Assembly will take prompt action on this Presidential text within the coming days to allow enough time for the report to be prepared before the end of January 2008.

The requested report would further provide an important input to the thematic debate on climate change which I intend to convene in early February 2008, one of the objectives of which is to discuss the contribution the United Nations system is making to addressing climate change. I shall revert to you with further details regarding the debate shortly.

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

Srgjan Kerim

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Srgjan Kerim", written over a light-colored background.

To
All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations