



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

13 August, 2008

Excellency,

I have the honour to transmit to you the attached letter from the President-elect of the sixty-third session of the General Assembly, His Excellency Mr. Miguel d'Escoto Brockmann, announcing his proposal for the issue upon which Member States are invited to comment during the general debate of the sixty-third session of the General Assembly.

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

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Srgjan Kerim

All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York



The President Elect of the
63rd Session of the General Assembly

New York, 12 August 2008

Excellency,

In General Assembly resolution 58/126, "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly", Annex A "Enhancing the authority and role of the General Assembly" par. 7, the President-elect of the General Assembly is to propose an issue, or issues, of global concern upon which member states will be invited to comment during the general debate at the forthcoming session of the Assembly.

Therefore and after consultations I propose the issues upon which Member States are invited to comment during the general debate of the 63rd session of the General Assembly to be as follows:

"The impact of the global food crisis on poverty and hunger in the world as well as the need to democratize the United Nations."

The issue for comment – as stated in the above resolution- will be without prejudice to the sovereign right of Member States to solely and entirely determine the content of their general statements.

May I kindly request that your Excellency circulate this letter to all Member States for their perusal.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Miguel D'Escoto Brockmann". The signature is fluid and cursive.

M.M. Miguel D'Escoto Brockmann
President-elect of the 63rd Session
of the United Nations General Assembly

H.E. Srgjan Kerim
President of the 62nd Session of the General Assembly
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