OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

5 July 2013

Excellency,

I have the pleasure to transmit to you a letter dated 3 July 2013 from the Co-facilitators, H.E. Ms. Anne Anderson, Permanent Representative of Ireland and H.E. Mr. Kingsley Mamabolo, Permanent Representative of South Africa, attaching a proposal by the G-77 as a complementary text on the essential elements of the draft outcome document.

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

Zdravko Ponoš Chef de Cabinet

To All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations





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Special Event towards achieving the MDGs

Further to the latest round of open consultations held on 24 June, and in anticipation of a further round of consultations next week, the Co-facilitators would like to inform colleagues that we envisage circulating a revised draft of the outcome document before the end of this week. Meanwhile, the Chair of the G77 has requested us to circulate the attached document which the G77 has submitted to us as a complementary text on the essential elements of the draft outcome document.

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

H.E. Kingsley Mamabolo Permanent Representative of the Republic of South Africa H.E. Anne Anderson
Permanent Representative
of Ireland

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

DRAFT Outcome Document of the MDG Special Event

- 1. We the Heads of State and Government, are gathered at the United Nations Headquarters in New York on September 25, 2013 to review progress made towards the achievement of Millennium Development Goals, and to chart the way forward.
- 2. We gather here today with a sense of urgency and determination, with less than 850 days remaining for the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals, to renew our abiding commitment and resolve to intensify all efforts for the achievement of MDGs by 2015.
- 3. We welcome what has been achieved so far. However, we are concerned with the unevenness and gaps in our achievement and the vast socio-economic and environmental challenges that remain in developing countries. The Millennium Development Goals have provided a common vision and contributed to remarkable progress. The MDGs remain critical for meeting the basic needs of people in developing countries, in particular in LDCs, LLDCs, SIDS, Africa, conflict and post-conflict countries and countries under foreign occupation, many of which are not on track to achieve them by 2015, as well as addressing specific challenges facing middle income countries.
- 4. We underscore the central role of the global partnership for development and the importance of MDG-8 in achieving the MDGs. We recognize that without substantial international support and systemic changes, several of the Goals are likely to be missed in many developing countries by 2015. We dedicate ourselves to redoubling our efforts to provide enhanced means of implementation to the developing countries through a renewed global partnership based on MDG-8 in our collective quest to eradicate poverty and deprivation.
- 5. We recall and reaffirm the outcome document of the Rio+20 conference and resolve to build upon it to craft a post-2015 development agenda based on the Rio principles.
- 6. We resolve that the post-2015 development agenda must have poverty eradication as the central and overarching goal. The agenda should promote rapid and sustained economic growth in developing countries, and promote equity, social inclusion and environmental sustainability in a balanced manner and in accordance with the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities.

- 7. We acknowledge with appreciation the establishment of several but related intergovernmental negotiating processes as defined in the Rio+20 outcome document and urge that these processes should be completed in a comprehensive, balanced and expeditious manner by September 2014. We also acknowledge other relevant processes and their inputs.
- 8. We decide to launch a process of inter-Governmental negotiations under the UNGA at the beginning of the 69th session of UNGA to arrive at the post-2015 development agenda. The process shall build upon the success and lessons learned of the MDGs and complete the unfinished agenda as well as fully taking into account the outcomes of the follow-up processes mandated by Rio+20 Conference in order to arrive at a universal and integrated post-2015 development agenda. This process shall culminate in a Summit in September 2015 for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda.