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Informal Review Session on Chapter IV of the Monterrey Consensus
"Increasing international financial and technical cooperation for development"

(15 – 16 April 2008, UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4)

Provisional Programme

15 April 2008

10:00 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.

Panel Discussion

Co-Chairs:

- **H.E. Mr. Maged A. Abdelaziz** Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations
- **H.E. Mr. Johan L. Løvald** Permanent Representative of Norway to the United Nations

Panelists:

- **Mr. Eckhard Deutscher**, Chair, Development Assistance Committee, OECD
- **Mr. Richard Morford**, Managing Director, Millennium Challenge Corporation, USA
- **Ms. Hilde Johnson**, Deputy Executive Director, UNICEF
- **Mr. Sanjay G. Reddy**, Assistant Professor of Economics, Columbia University
- **Mr. Irfan ul Haque**, Special Advisor on Financing for Development, South Centre

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Interactive Debate

3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Interactive Debate (continued)

16 April 2008

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Interactive Debate (continued)

3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Interactive Debate (continued)

Biographical Notes

Mr. Eckhard Deutscher took up duty as Chair of the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) on 18 January 2008. In his previous positions, he gained extensive experience in the politics and economics of international aid. From 2002 to 2008, he was the German Executive Director to the World Bank and, from 2006 to 2008, he was Dean of its Board of Executive Directors. Prior to his appointment at the World Bank, Mr. Deutscher was Director of the Centre for Democratic Studies on Latin America, based in Costa Rica, and lectured at universities in Mexico and Peru. From 1991-2000, he was Director of the German Foundation for International Development (now INWENT). Mr. Deutscher holds PhDs in Development Studies and in Social Science and Philosophy from the University of Frankfurt.

Mr. Richard Morford is Managing Director for Donor and Multilateral Relations at the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC). Prior to joining MCC, he was a member of the US Senior Foreign Service with the State Department. He served as Deputy Permanent Representative at the US Mission to OECD in Paris, Economic Minister Counselor in Seoul, Principal Officer in Fukuoka, Petroleum Officer in Jakarta, Trade Center Director in Osaka and Political/Economic Reporting Officer in Singapore. His past positions in the State Department include that of Director of the Office for European Union and Regional Affairs. Mr. Morford graduated from Wabash College in 1971, with a degree in Economics, and received a Masters in Public Administration from Harvard University in 1978.

Ms. Hilde Johnson is Deputy Executive Director of UNICEF. She served as Minister for International Development and member of the Norwegian government/cabinet for almost seven years, covering 1997-2000 and 2001-2005. She was Member of Parliament in 1993-2001. Prior to joining UNICEF, she served as Senior Adviser to the President of the African Development Bank, was the co-chair of the Global Coalition for Africa and sat on advisory groups in the World Bank. She is founder of the Utstein Group, a consultation group of six like-minded donor countries. In 2003, she was awarded the "Commitment to Development Award" by the Center for Global Development and Foreign Policy in Washington, D.C. Ms. Johnson holds a Bachelors degree in History, Political Science and Social Anthropology and a Masters in Social Anthropology from the University of Oslo.

Mr. Sanjay G. Reddy is Assistant Professor of Economics at Barnard College and teaches in the School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University. His work focuses on development economics, international economics and economics and philosophy. Mr. Reddy has conducted extensive research for development agencies and international institutions, including the G-24, ILO, Oxfam, UN-DESA, UNICEF, UNDP, UNU-WIDER, UNRISD and the World Bank. His research has been supported by the Ford Foundation and the Open Society Institute. He has been a member of the advisory panel of UNDP's Human Development Report, and is currently a member of the Steering Committee on Poverty Statistics of the UN Statistics Division. He holds a PhD in Economics from Harvard University, an MPhil in Social Anthropology from the University of Cambridge and an AB in Applied Mathematics with Physics from Harvard University.

Mr. Irfan ul Haque is Special Advisor on Financing for Development at the South Centre and a Board Member of the New Rules for Global Finance Coalition. In 2003, he served as a member of a Group of Eminent Persons set up by UNCTAD to examine the issue of commodities and financing, whose report was later submitted to the UN General Assembly. He started his career at UNCTAD and served in various capacities at the World Bank from 1970 to 1995. After leaving the Bank, he worked at the South Centre in Geneva. He taught economics at the universities of Islamabad and Cambridge and at Lahore School of Economics. He also served as a consultant to UNCTAD, UNDP, ILO and G-24. A macroeconomist with a special interest in trade, finance and development, he has authored a number of publications, covering issues of international finance and trade, macroeconomics and science and technology. Mr. ulHaque holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Cambridge.
