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Excellency,

**INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS OF THE PLENARY ON FOLLOW-UP TO THE
SUMMIT OUTCOME ON DEVELOPMENT AND ECOSOC REFORM**

Following the informal discussion on the development follow-up resolution on Tuesday 28 March, we are writing to set out the next steps on this draft resolution.

At the end of the meeting on 28 March, we requested delegations to let us have any further textual contributions on the matters raised during the meeting. Since then, we have received indications from some delegations that they have further contributions to bring. It would be most helpful if any such contributions could be sent to the co-chairs and to the Secretariat by 5pm on 13 April.

In light of these expected additional contributions, we intend to appoint a facilitator to undertake informal consultations focusing on the text of OP6bis and the additional comments and contributions made at the meeting on 28 March and received thereafter, as above. The facilitated consultations will be conducted on the basis of a compilation text which will be circulated by the Secretariat on Monday 17 April. We would expect the consultations to begin very shortly thereafter. The dates and times of the consultations and the contact details of the facilitator will be communicated separately.

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Over recent days, very many delegations have expressed a determination to help to bring our work on this draft resolution to a conclusion as swiftly as possible. In this spirit, we will ask the facilitator to work intensively with all interested delegations to try to reach consensus on a text, and to revert back to the co-chairs at the earliest possible opportunity.

It is our hope that such a process will help to significantly accelerate our work toward the goal of reaching consensus on a draft resolution on the important matter of the timely and full implementation of the development goals and objectives agreed at the major United Nations conferences and summits, including the Millennium Development Goals.

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



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