Excellency,

Please find enclosed the detailed programme and background document for the meeting of the General Assembly on Global Private Investments and Climate Change, to be held on 9 June 2008 in the Trusteeship Council Chamber from 10 AM to 1 PM.

As previously announced, this follow up meeting to the High-Level Thematic Debate on Climate Change held in the General Assembly in February will comprise a panel discussion. A select group of renowned senior financial service executives from different topical and geographical backgrounds have been invited to provide various perspectives on climate change from the standpoint of banks, insurers, pension funds, hedge funds and analysts. The presentations and discussions will highlight the crucial importance decisions made by Member States on climate change have for investors. Member States, in return, will be given an overview of the challenges and opportunities various types of investors face in the current climate change context.

Following the presentations, Member States, as well as special guests from the private sector, civil society, media and the United Nations system, will have the opportunity to exchange views with the speakers on how to most effectively address climate change within the context of private investments and public decision-making. Given the informal and interactive character of the debate, spontaneous and brief interventions are encouraged.

I very much look forward to your personal participation in this important event.

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

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