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Excellency,

As delegations may recall, on 19 May plenary informal consultations took place in order to consider the discussion note entitled “Strengthening the system-wide funding architecture of operational activities of the United Nations for development”, prepared by the Secretary-General and transmitted by the President of the General Assembly to all delegations on 11 May. The Co-Chairs take this opportunity to thank delegations for their constructive participation and for all the statements made during the consultations.

During that meeting delegations requested further detailed discussions on the issues covered by the note prepared by the Secretary-General, in particular those related to the trends on funding of UN operational activities for development, the balance and complementarities between core and non-core funding or the challenges emerging from some of the recommendations in areas like common country funding.

In order to deal with the questions and comments raised on 19 May and carry forward the work on this matter, on **Thursday 4 June** the Co-Chairs will convene an expert-level interactive session of Member States with representatives of the United Nations system bodies involved in the elaboration of the Secretary-General’s discussion note on funding. The meeting will take place from **10 am to 1 pm** in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Furthermore, during the plenary informal consultations held on 19 May the Co-Chairs noted that many delegations underlined the need to address the governance and the funding dimensions of the UN operational activities for development in a joint manner. The Co-Chairs have taken note of this consideration and intend to convene a meeting on that matter in due course.

Finally, as announced in our letter of 4 May, the Co-Chairs will organize a briefing on the “Delivering as One” approach and related developments on the field on **Monday 8 June from 11 am to 1 pm**. The UNDP Administrator and UNDG Chair, Mrs. Helen Clark, will address the meeting. Details on organizational arrangements of this meeting will appear in the Journal in due course.

We look forward to a fruitful and constructive dialogue next Thursday.

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



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