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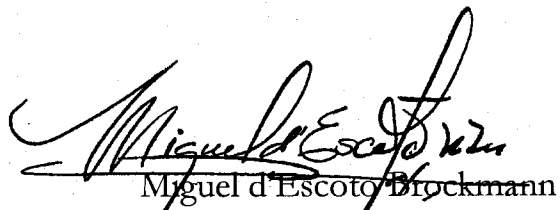
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Excellencies,

Please find attached the programme of the four interactive round tables to be held during the Conference on the World Financial and Economic Crisis and Its Impact on Development, from 24 to 26 June, at the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The programme will be announced in the Journal of Tuesday, 23 June 2009.

Also attached is a list of the social events to be held on that occasion.

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



Miguel d'Escoto Brockmann

All Permanent Representatives
and Permanent Observers
to the United Nations

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**UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON THE WORLD FINANCIAL
AND ECONOMIC CRISIS AND ITS IMPACT ON DEVELOPMENT
(24-26 June 2009, Trusteeship Council Chamber
United Nations Headquarters, New York)**

Tentative programme of the Round Tables

Round Table 1– Wednesday, 24 June 2009, 3 to 6 p.m.

Theme: The role of the United Nations and its Member States in the ongoing international discussions on reforming and strengthening the international financial and economic system and architecture

Chairs: Prime Minister of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, H.E. Ralph Gonsalves (TBC), and Prime Minister of Serbia, H.E. Mr. Mirko Cvetković.

Panellists:

Mr. Joseph Stiglitz, University Professor, Columbia University. Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences (2001). Former Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist of the World Bank. Chairman of the Commission of Experts of the President of the UN General Assembly on Reforms of the International Monetary and Financial System;

Mr. Murilo Portugal, Deputy Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund;

Ms. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Managing Director of the World Bank;

Mr. Andrei Bougrov, Managing Director and member of the Board of Directors of the Interros Company. Former Principal Resident Representative of Russia, Executive Director and member of the Board of Directors of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development;

Mr. Yu Yongding, former Director of the Institute of World Economics and Politics, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. Former Member of the Monetary Policy Committee, People's Bank of China.

Ms. Alicia Bárcena, UN Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean;

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Round Table 2– Thursday, 25 June 2009, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Theme: Coordinated and collaborative actions and appropriate measures to mitigate the impact of the crisis on development

Chairs: Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, H.E. Mr. Tongloun Sisoulit, and Deputy Prime Minister of Luxembourg, H. E. Mr. Jean Asselborn.

Panellists:

Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary General of UNCTAD;

Ms. Noeleen Heyzer, Executive Secretary of Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific of the United Nations;

Mr. Martin Khor, Executive Director of the South Centre.

Mr. Robert Johnson, Former Chief Economist of the US Senate Banking Committee and former Senior Economist of the U.S. Senate Budget Committee;

Mr. Yaga Venugopal Reddy, Former Governor of the Reserve Bank of India;

Round Table 3 – Thursday, 25 June 2009, 3 to 6 p.m.

Theme: Present and future impacts of the crisis on, inter alia, employment, trade, investment and development goals and the Millennium Development Goals

Chairs: Minister of Coordination of Economic Policy of the Republic of Ecuador, H.E. Dr. Diego Borja, and Minister for Development Cooperation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, H.E. Mr. Bert Koenders.

Panellists:

Mr. Abdoulie Janneh, UN Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa;

Mrs. Valentine Rugwabiza, Deputy Director-General of the World Trade Organization WTO;

Mr. Sha Zukang, UN Under Secretary-General for DESA;

Ms. Navanethem Pillay, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights;

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Mr. Stephen Pursey, Director Policy integration Department of International Labour Organization;

Mr. Francois Houtart, Emeritus Professor of the Catholic University of Louvain (Belgium), founder of the Tricontinental Center (New Louvain).

Round Table 4– Friday, 26 June 2009, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Theme: Contributions of the United Nations development system in response to the crisis

Chair: Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bangladesh, HE. Ms. Dipu Moni.
Second Chair to be determined.

Panellists:

Ms. Helen Clark, UN Under-Secretary-General and Administrator of UNDP;

Ms. Thoraya Obaid, UN Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UNFPA;

Mr. Manuel Aranda Silva, Deputy Executive Director, a.i. WFP.

Ms. Hilde F. Johnson, Deputy Executive Director, UNICEF

Mr. Pedro Páez, Former Minister for Economic Coordination, Ecuador.
