



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Excellency,

Member States will recall that by resolution 64/1 adopted on 6 October 2009, the General Assembly decided to hold the High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation at Nairobi from 1 to 3 December 2009.

Paragraph 5 of that resolution “*Requests* the President of the General Assembly to initiate informal consultations with all Member States, in an open, inclusive and transparent manner, commencing at an appropriate date to enable sufficient discussion, with a view to producing a draft outcome prior to the Conference by the end of November 2009”.

In this respect, I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency Mr. Gunnar Palsson, Permanent Representative of Iceland and His Excellency Mr. Abdullah M. Alsaidi, Permanent Representative of Yemen to the United Nations have agreed to serve as Co-Facilitators, to lead the consultations among Member States. I would like to thank both Ambassadors for accepting this important task.

Given that there are only a few weeks available for the negotiations, I would like to request all Member States to extend to the Co-Facilitators their full cooperation and support, in order to arrive at an agreed outcome by the end of November and to ensure that the Conference is a success. Towards this end, it is my intention to convene the first informal meeting on Friday, 16 October 2009.

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


Ali Abdussalam Treki

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