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Excellency,

Member States will recall that by resolutions 64/203 and 64/199 adopted on 21 December 2009, the General Assembly decided respectively to convene a two day high level review of the Mauritius Strategy for Implementation in September 2010 as part of the sixty fifth session, and to convene a one day high level meeting as close as possible to the opening of the general debate of the sixty-fifth session, as a contribution to the International Year of Biodiversity.

Also with reference to my letter of 24 December 2009, in order to prepare for these important meetings, I have requested His Excellency Ambassador Park In-kook, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea and Chairman of the Second Committee to initiate informal consultations with all Member States, in an open, inclusive and transparent manner, to enable sufficient discussion with a view to agreeing on the dates for these meetings.

Given the need to conclude these consultations as soon as possible, I would like to ask all Member States to extend to Ambassador Park In-kook and his team their full cooperation and support, in order to arrive at an agreement.

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

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