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Excellency,

As mandated by the General Assembly resolution A/RES/64/13 adopted on 10 November 2009 proclaiming 18 July as the Nelson Mandela International Day to observed each year beginning 2010”, this year once again, on the occasion of his birthday, the United Nations General Assembly will pay tribute to President Nelson Mandela and celebrate the contributions made by him to humanity.

Acknowledging President Mandela’s contribution to the struggle for democracy internationally and the promotion of a culture of peace throughout the world, the resolution recognizes his values and his dedication to the service of humanity.

Bearing this in mind, an informal plenary meeting of the General Assembly will be convened on 18 July from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm at the General Assembly Hall under the theme of **‘Building a Caring World – Nelson Mandela’s Vision’**.

A detailed programme will be sent to you subsequently.

I would like to extend a warm invitation to all member states and observers, UN system entities and civil society to attend the special event to join in our tribute to one of the greatest men of our time.



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