New York, 17 May 2013

Excellency,

In support of the United Nations Secretary-General’s Global Education First Initiative, young leaders from around the world will convene in support of reaching the goal of all children, especially girls, in school and learning by 2015. The Office of the President of the General Assembly and the Office of the Special Envoy for Global Education, Gordon Brown, are co-hosting a series of events taking place on July 11th and 12th at the UN Headquarters in New York. The main event will be a youth assembly held in the Trusteeship Council Chamber where Malala Yousafzai will celebrate her 16th birthday by addressing hundreds of young leaders who support education for every child.

The assembly will be an opportunity for youth to present their call for action on global education to the United Nations. An official UN Outcomes Document will be circulated to Member States. The Youth Advocacy Group of the Global Education First Initiative is soliciting global youth feedback on what should be included in the outcomes document.

We would like to invite member states to participate by nominating and sending one youth leader (25 and under) to represent your country at the event. They will participate in a two-day series of events led and facilitated by their peers from around the world, including skill building sessions allowing them to strengthen advocacy work back home. This will be the primary way for member states to engage in the event, as the actual assembly will be reserved for participants age 25 and under. Please note that member states will be responsible for travel costs, documentation, accommodations, parental approval and adult chaperone (if under age 18).

If you are interested in participating, please send a short message of interest to the Office of the UN Special Envoy for Global Education at info@educationenvoy.org by May 24th. The office will follow up with additional information shortly.

We hope you can join us for this exciting and historic event and look forward to sharing more information with you soon.

Sincerely,

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Rt. Honorable Gordon Brown, MP
UN Secretary-General’s Special Envoy for Global Education

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To All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations
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