Excellency,

I have the honour to forward herewith a letter from H.E. Mr. Kingsley Mamabolo, Permanent Representative of South Africa, in his capacity as facilitator for the consultations on the draft resolution to establish the United Nations Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela Prize.

In this communication Ambassador Mamabolo informs that he will be convening a round of informal consultations at 10:00am on Friday, 23 May, 2014, in Room A of the Conference Building. He has also attached a copy of the revised draft resolution for your consideration.

I encourage Member States to actively participate in this round of consultations on this matter.

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

John W. Ashe

To All Permanent Representatives
and Permanent Observers
To the United Nations
New York
19 May 2014

Excellency,

As you are aware, the President of the General Assembly by way of letter dated 31 January 2014 appointed me in my capacity as the Permanent Representative of South Africa to facilitate on his behalf consultations on the draft resolution (attached) to establish the United Nations Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela Prize.

In this context, as a follow-up to the first informal consultations I held on 07 May 2014, I have the pleasure to invite you to the second informal meeting to be held on Friday, 23 May 2014 at 10 am in Room A, Conference Building.

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

[Signature]

Mm. Kingsley Mamabolo
Permanent Representative
Recalling its resolution 64/13 of 10 November 2009, by which it inter alia designated 18 July as Nelson Mandela International Day, which is observed by the United Nations each year since 2010,

Bearing in mind Nelson Mandela's leading role in and support for Africa's struggle for liberation and Africa's unity, his outstanding contribution to the creation of a non-racial, non-sexist, democratic South Africa and his contribution to the struggle for democracy internationally and the promotion of a culture of peace throughout the world,

Bearing also in mind Nelson Mandela's values and his dedication to the service of humanity, as a humanitarian, in the fields of conflict resolution, race relations, promotion and protection of human rights, reconciliation, gender equality and the rights of children and other vulnerable groups, as well as the upliftment of poor and underdeveloped communities,

Wishing to further honour and pay homage to the extraordinary life and legacy of Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela,

1. Decides to establish the United Nations Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela Prize, which will be honorary in nature, as a tribute to outstanding achievement and contribution by individuals to the purposes and principles of the United Nations;

2. Requests the Secretary-General, in consultation with the President of the General Assembly to establish within six months after the adoption of this resolution, the criteria and procedures for bestowing this Prize, to be submitted to the General Assembly not later than 30 November 2014;