



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

9 January 2017

Excellency,

By resolution 71/217 of 21 December 2016 entitled “Follow-up to and implementation of the outcomes of the International Conferences on Financing for Development”, the General Assembly requested the President of the General Assembly to convene briefings for Member States, no later than January 2017, by the Co-Chairs of the multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals on the recommendations contained in the Co-Chairs’ summary of the first multi-stakeholder forum, which was held on 6 and 7 June 2016, with regard to the next steps for the multi-stakeholder forum .

In accordance with this resolution, I have the honour to inform you that I will convene this briefing on Thursday, 12 January 2017, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The Co-Chairs of the forum, His Excellency Mr. Macharia Kamau, Permanent Representative of Kenya to the United Nations ,and Dr. Vaughan Turekian, the Science and Technology Adviser to the Secretary of State of the United States, will participate in this briefing. They will be joined by His Excellency Mr. Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava, President of the Economic and Social Council, Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, and a representative of the New York Office of the United Nations Environment Programme.

I look forward to your active participation at this meeting.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Thomson', written over a horizontal line.

Peter Thomson

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