



**The President
of the
Economic and Social Council**

17 October 2016

Excellency,

**ECOSOC Meeting on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
(New York, 9 December 2016)**

I am writing to request your Mission's assistance in securing the participation of representative(s) of your national tax authority in the above-mentioned meeting.

Pursuant to its resolution 2017/2 (draft resolution 2017/L.5) and decision 2017/205 (draft decision 2017/L.6), ECOSOC will hold, on 9 December 2016, a one-day meeting to consider international cooperation in tax matters including, as appropriate, its contribution to mobilizing domestic financial resources for development and the institutional arrangements to promote such cooperation, with the participation of the representatives of national tax authorities.

The meeting, which will be held immediately following the 13th session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters, will feature an update on the work of the Committee with a view to increasing the engagement of the Committee with the Council and enhancing intergovernmental consideration of tax issues. Moreover, the meeting will comprise several panel discussions on current issues in international tax cooperation, with the participation of members of the Committee, relevant international organizations and academia.

Resolution 2017/205 encouraged me to issue invitations to representatives of national tax authorities to attend the ECOSOC meeting. Accordingly, I would be grateful if your Mission would transmit this invitation to your country's tax authority.

Members and observers of the Economic and Social Council and representatives of intergovernmental organizations are requested to provide, in writing, as soon as possible, the composition of their delegation, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Jose Rene Tanoy, email tanoy@un.org; room S-1291).

Further information about the meeting, including a tentative programme and concept note will be available on the FfD website at <http://www.un.org/esa/ffd/events/event/ie-2016-ictm.html>.

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

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