

27 November 2018

Excellency,

I am writing in reference to a previous invitation to attend the High-level Luncheon for Middle Income Countries on the occasion of the mandated High-level Meeting on Middle Income Countries. The luncheon will take place on 4 December 2018, from 1:15 to 2:45pm in the Delegates' Dining Room at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The luncheon will build on the discussion at the High-level Meeting while facilitating a space for more in-depth, informal discussions to occur, on issues in addition to and beyond, those discussed in the thematic panels of the High-level Meeting. The theme of the luncheon will be the "Middle-Income Trap" and the luncheon will include a panel, and a moderated informal discussion by participants. The middle-income trap is a major challenge faced by middle income countries, despite their diversity. The panel and discussion will seek to highlight the challenges of financing, the multidimensional aspects of poverty, and the diversity of experiences across middle income countries.

Given the fast approaching date for this event, I would kindly request that if you have not already done so, confirm attendance of the Head of Delegation to Ms. Nehali Anupriya, at the Office of the President of the General Assembly who is also available to respond to any questions regarding the meeting, logistics, and organization. Ms. Anupriya may be reached via email (nehali.anupriya@un.org) or +1 (929) 505-3864.

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

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