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Excellency,

I would like to refer to General Assembly resolutions 71/318 of 28 August 2017 and 72/237 of 20 December 2017 on the second High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation, which will be convened in Buenos Aires, Argentina, from 20--22 March 2019 under the overarching theme "Role of South-South cooperation and the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: challenges and opportunities".

Further to the invitation of the Secretary-General for your Government participation in the Conference at the highest political level, I wish to draw your attention to paragraph 10 of resolution 71/318 which "Encourages all Member States and other relevant stakeholders that are in a position to do so to consider supporting the participation of developing countries, in particular the least developed countries, including by making voluntary contributions through the United Nations Fund for South-South Cooperation, in order to ensure the broadest possible participation;"

In this connection, I have the honour to invite your Government to contribute to the abovementioned Trust Fund in order to ensure the broadest possible participation in the Conference, which is held on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of the adoption of the Buenos Aires Plan of Action for Promoting and Implementing Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries.

I look forward to your positive and generous response to this request of the General Assembly, and the participation of your country at the highest level in this very important Conference.

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

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