

6 February, 2014

Excellency,

Further to my letter of 14 January, 2014 on the High-level Events and Thematic Debates which I will convene during the resumed part of the 68th session, I take this opportunity to remind you that the High-level Event on 'The Contributions of Women, the Young and Civil Society to the Post-2015 Development Agenda' will be held from 6 to 7 March, 2014 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The event will include a full one-day plenary segment, commencing with an opening segment at 10:00 a.m. on 6 March and two interactive panel discussions on 7 March. The panel discussions will address the themes of **equality**, **inclusiveness** and **participation** as they relate to the overarching goal of poverty eradication. A Background Note providing additional details on the High-level Event will be made available to Member States in due course.

As we 'Set the Stage for the Post-2015 Development Agenda', I invite Member States to participate in the High-level Event at the highest possible level. Please be informed that inscription to the list of speakers for the one-day plenary segment will commence on 10 February, on a first-come-first served basis, in the order of precedence. Therefore, I encourage Member States to inscribe at the earliest opportunity. An announcement on the details for inscription to the speaker's list will appear shortly in the Journal.

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

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