



Excellency,

On 13 May 2014, the General Assembly adopted resolution 68/271 entitled, "Scope and modalities of the comprehensive review and assessment of the progress achieved in the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases".

In operative paragraph 10 of the resolution, the General Assembly requests the President of the General Assembly to organize, no later than June, 2014, in consultation with representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, civil society organizations, the private sector and academia, an informal interactive hearing with non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, the private sector and academia to provide input to the aforementioned comprehensive review and assessment.

I have the honour to inform you that this hearing will take place on 19 June, 2014. Additional information on the modalities of the hearing will be submitted under separate cover.

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

John W. Ashe

John W. Aske

To All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers To the United Nations New York