



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

17 July, 2014

Excellency,

I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of a letter from H.E. Mr. Gary Quinlan, Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations, dated 14 July, 2014, requesting that I convene an informal meeting of the General Assembly, in order to enable a briefing and exchange on the G-20 agenda under Australia's Chairmanship, highlighting the important relationship between the United Nations and the Group.

In this regard, I wish to invite you to an informal meeting of the General Assembly on Thursday, 24 July, 2014, from 10:00am to 1:00pm, in continuity with the practice of providing the UN membership with opportunities to exchange views on the G-20, and in line with UN General Assembly Resolution 67/289 and the close engagement between the UN and the G-20 in recent years.

The meeting will include a briefing on the G-20 Agenda by Australia's Special Representative for the G-20, Mr. Daniel Sloper, and will provide an opportunity for an exchange of views during a question and answer segment.

Additional information on the informal meeting will be announced in the United Nations Journal in due course.

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

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John W. Ashe

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



THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE  
OF AUSTRALIA  
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

14 July 2014

His Excellency Ambassador John W. Ashe  
President of the General Assembly of the United Nations  
United Nations Headquarters  
**NEW YORK**

Your Excellency,

I have the pleasure to inform you that Australia's Special Representative for the G20, Mr Daniel Sloper, will be visiting New York on Thursday 24 July 2014.

I would be honoured if you would host an informal meeting of the General Assembly to enable a briefing and exchange on the G20 agenda under Australia's chairmanship, highlighting the important relationship between the United Nations and the G20.

As discussed with your office, the informal meeting would provide an opportunity for Mr Sloper to brief and update Member States on recent developments on the G20's agenda leading to the G20 Summit in Brisbane on 15-16 November. The discussion would also provide an opportunity for exchange with Member States and include an interactive question and answer segment. In line with UN General Assembly Resolution 67/289, the informal briefing will form part of a series of outreach meetings to the UN membership under Australia's G20 chairmanship, in continuity with the close engagement between the UN and G20 in recent years.

We look forward to continuing to cooperate closely with you, the UN Secretary-General; Dr Shamshad Akhtar, UN G20 Sherpa; Ms Helen Clark, Administrator of the UN Development Programme; and the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

I also take this opportunity to congratulate you and the excellent leadership you have shown as President of the General Assembly and the contribution you and your team has made to the United Nations.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or my office (Ryan Neelam, Second Secretary, Phone: 212 351 6628), if you have any further questions.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gary Quinlan', with a horizontal line underneath.

**Gary Quinlan**