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Excellency,

As you are aware, the General Assembly will hold its first informal thematic debate on 27 November 2006 entitled "Partnerships towards achieving the MDGs: Taking Stock, Moving Forward. Our goal will be to identify best practices and examples of successful initiatives, while at the same time underlining obstacles to progress. In addition, the thematic debate will provide a forum to reinvigorate partnerships between all stakeholders.

I look forward to your Excellency's statement at the morning session on the role of the Economic and Social Council in promoting international economic and social cooperation and development, which I am sure, will be instrumental in steering the debate in the right direction.

I hope we can meet regularly over the course of the coming weeks to consult on and finalize the program of work for our event.

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

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