

Deputy Secretary-General,

As you are aware I recently appointed Ambassador Hackett, the Permanent Representative of Barbados and Ambassador Hoscheit, the Permanent Representative of Luxembourg to Co-Chair intergovernmental consultation on System-wide Coherence. The Co-Chairs recently set out a program of work to deal with the issues contained in the Secretary-Generals Report on the recommendations of the High Level Panel on System-wide Coherence.

In this context, have the honour to invite you to brief Member States and at the informal consultations on 'Gender' at 10:00am on 21st June. I believe that you are best placed to inform member states of the current status of this issue within the United Nations system and the rational for any potential reform as you lead the efforts of the inter-agency task force on gender equality.

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

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cc: Secretary-General
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