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Excellency,

As you will recall, counter-terrorism is one of the priorities I have identified for our work when I took office in September 2006. I was pleased that the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy was adopted by consensus on 8 September and was officially launched on 19 September last year with the presence of many high-level participants.

On 13 December 2006, I circulated a matrix of the implementation of the Strategy by the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force. I hope you have found the information in the matrix useful.

To further our collective efforts in implementing the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, I wish to invite you to attend an informal briefing to be held on Friday 16 February 2007 at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 by Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon and the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force on the progress to date, including the launch of an Online Counter-Terrorism Handbook of all UN resources available to Member States.

I look forward to seeing you at the briefing and furthering our efforts in the fight against the scourge of terrorism.

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

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