



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

29 May 2008

Excellency,

As I announced at the informal briefing of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force last week, the General Assembly plenary meeting on the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy will take place on 4 September 2008.

Member States have repeatedly underscored their primary ownership of the Strategy and role in its implementation. In preparation for the meeting in September, I invite you to bring forward your national, regional and global initiatives to put the Strategy's provisions into action.

I also encourage the Assembly in September to send a strong and unified message against terrorism, to build on the results achieved so far, to reinvigorate the commitment for further implementation efforts and to strengthen the co-operation between Member States and the United Nations.

Furthermore, I have the honour to inform you that H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal, Permanent Representative of Guatemala to the United Nations, has agreed to serve as a facilitator for consultations with Member States on the outcome of the plenary meeting in September. On behalf of the General Assembly, I would like to express my appreciation to Ambassador Rosenthal for his willingness to undertake this important responsibility.

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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Srgjan Kerim', written in a cursive style.

Srgjan Kerim

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