



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

22 May 2009

Excellency,

It is our common endeavour to ensure the success of the United Nations Conference on the World Financial and Economic Crisis and its Impact on Development. We believe that success will depend on a positive and forward looking outcome document and the active engagement of the political leadership of the Member States at the highest possible level.

With this in view I have carried out extensive consultations with the Permanent Representatives representing all the regional groups and negotiating groups and with the Heads of State and Government of several countries. In the coming days I shall continue to do so.

I have heard the concerns expressed by some Member States. I would like to reiterate that this process will be open, comprehensive, transparent and inclusive and, above all, driven by Member States. I am therefore committed to ensuring that the draft outcome document, at all stages of its evolution, would be negotiated and approved by Member States by consensus consistent with resolution 63/277.

I appeal to all Member States to agree on this document *no later than Monday, 15 June*. I am confident that Member States will demonstrate the necessary political will and good faith towards this end and I will empower the two facilitators to play their role independently in coordination and cooperation with Member States.

On this basis and for the sake of both a good outcome document and high level attendance, I believe there would be consensus on the Conference being rescheduled to 24 to 26 June 2009.

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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Miguel d'Escoto Brockmann', written over a horizontal line.

Miguel d'Escoto Brockmann

All Permanent Representatives
and Permanent Observers
to the United Nations