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Excellency,

As a follow up to the letter dated 1 May 2009 from this Office and following informal consultations, I am sending the program of the Interactive Thematic Dialogue of the United Nations General Assembly on "Energy Efficiency, Energy Conservation and New and Renewable Sources of Energy", to be held next Thursday, 18 June in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. We are also including a brief document with biographical information of the keynote speakers, the panellists and the moderators.

I would encourage a real and fruitful interactive dialogue among the Member States and the panellists and moderators. I strongly suggest to limit the number of written statements or speeches only to the political or regional groups of the United Nations. The event is an excellent opportunity to discuss substantially the important energy issues that are linked to poverty eradication, the realization of the Millennium Development Goals and to the crucial challenges of sustainable development and the current and future living conditions of the planet. A summary of the debate will be prepared with the assistance of the DESA Secretariat and will be circulated to the member states.

I would like to thank the Member States, the sponsor countries, the Division for Sustainable Development at the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Fund for International Partnerships and the United Nations Foundation for the continuous support to this Presidency in the organization of the Dialogue.

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

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