

21 August 2009

Excellency,

I wish to refer to the nomination of two Co-Chairpersons for the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole, established by the General Assembly, pursuant to its resolution 63/111, to recommend a course of action to the Assembly at its sixty-fourth session on the regular process for global reporting and assessment of the state of the marine environment, including socio-economic aspects.

Following consultations with the Chairpersons of the regional groups I have the honour to inform you that I have appointed H.E. Hilario G. Davide, Jr., Permanent Representative of the Philippines and H.E. Mr. Gunnar Pálsson, Permanent Representative of Iceland as Co-Chairpersons of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole, which will meet in New York from 31 August to 4 September 2009.

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

Miguel d'Escoto Brockmann

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