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Member States will recall that General Assembly resolution 63/194, adopted on 18 December of 2008, on 'Improving the coordination of efforts against trafficking in persons' in operative paragraph 11 invites "all Member States to accelerate the consideration of the advisability of a global plan of action on preventing trafficking in persons, prosecuting traffickers and protecting and assisting victims of trafficking". On 29 April 2009, the Secretary-General submitted to the Member States a Background Paper on "Improving the coordination of efforts against trafficking in persons," which was an important input for the Interactive Thematic Dialogue of the United Nations General Assembly on "Taking collective action to end human Trafficking" held on 13 May 2009.

In keeping with the request of Member States from all regional groups, I am pleased to announce my decision to appoint the Permanent Representative of Portugal, H.E. Mr. José Filipe Morales Cabral, and the Permanent Representative of Cape Verde, H.E. Mr. Antonio Pedro Montero Lima, as Cofacilitators to start the process of informal consultations of Member States to draw up a United Nations global plan of action against human trafficking

I take this opportunity to thank the Co-facilitators for kindly accepting this responsibility.

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

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