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Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to resolutions 64/258 of 16 March 2010 and 65/284 of 22 June 2011, both entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support".

In resolution 64/258, the General Assembly "requests the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-fifth session to initiate informal consultations, led by Member States, with the participation of relevant stakeholders, taking into account the report of the Secretary-General, with a view to reaching an agreement on this issue, building on existing mechanisms."

In resolution 65/284, the General Assembly "requests the President of the General Assembly to continue informal consultations, led by Member States with the participation of relevant stakeholders, on the nature, scope, priorities and institutional arrangements for a monitoring mechanism that builds on existing mechanisms as well as building on the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General with a view to making it operational by the end of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly".

In accordance with the above resolutions, I have the honour to inform you that I have appointed H.E. Mr. Macharia Kamau, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Kenya, and H.E. Mr. Mårten Grunditz, Permanent Representative of Sweden, to serve as co-facilitators to lead these consultations.

I would like to thank Ambassador Kamau and Ambassador Grunditz for accepting this responsibility and trust that you will extend your full cooperation and support to them.

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

Joseph Deiss