



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

9 September 2011

Excellency,

Further to my letter dated 22 July 2011, informing on the organizational arrangements of the three high-level meetings taking place in September, I would like to share with you the following information on the high-level meeting on “Addressing desertification, land degradation and drought in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication”, taking place on 20 September.

For the two interactive panels, H.E. Mr. Goodluck Jonathan, President of Nigeria, and H.E. Ms. Shiekh Hasina, Prime Minister of Bangladesh, have indicated their availability to co-chair the morning and afternoon panels, respectively. As per resolution 65/160, we need two additional co-chairs from the North.

Also per this resolution, I am pleased to inform you that the Colombian section of the Women’s Environment and Development Organization (WEDO) and the Centre d’actions et de réalisations internationales (CARI), based in France, have been selected to participate as civil society speakers during the interactive panels.

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

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Joseph Deiss

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