

7 January, 2016

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that I will convene an informal meeting of the General Assembly on 13 January 2016, from 4pm to 5.30pm, in the ECOSOC Chamber. The purpose of this meeting will be for the General Assembly to hear briefings on progress of the Ebola outbreak response and recovery efforts and to discuss priorities going forward.

Briefings will focus on the need for continued international support and solidarity, in particular for Ebola survivors and the scaling up of recovery efforts. A draft program for the event is attached for your information.

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

Mogens Lykketoft

To All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York

Briefing to the General Assembly

Progress of Ebola outbreak response and the road towards recovery

Wednesday, 13 January 2016 16:00 – 17:30 hours New York Venue - [ECOSOC]

Draft program

Updated as of 7 January 2016

16:00 – 16:05	Opening remarks by the President of the General Assembly
16:05 – 16:10	Remarks by the Secretary-General
16.10 – 16.15	Remarks by Dr. David Nabarro, Special Adviser on 2030 Agenda for Sustainable development and former Special Envoy on Ebola
16:15 – 16:25	Briefing by the Director General of the World Health Organization (WHO), Dr. Margaret Chan (via video link)
16:25 – 16:35	Briefing by the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Ms. Helen Clark
16:35 – 16:45	Briefing by Deputy Health Minister of Liberia, His Excellency Tolbert Nyenswah (video link)
16:45 – 16:50	Briefing by representative of a survivor organisation (tbc – video link)
16:50 – 16:55	Briefing by representative of a medical response organisation (tbc - video link)
16:55 – 17:00	Briefing by the Chief Executive of Developing Markets Associates, Mr. Atam Sandhu
17:00 – 17:05	Briefing by the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Dr. Babatunde Osotimehin
17:05 – 17:25	Statements from the floor
17:25 – 17:30	Closing remarks by the President of the General Assembly.