



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

22 January 2016

Excellency,

At its first session in 1946, the General Assembly established the Advisory Committee on Administrative and budgetary Questions (ACABQ) as a subsidiary organ to provide it with advice on all administrative, budgetary and financial matters. To mark the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the ACABQ, I have the honour to inform you that I am convening an informal meeting of the General Assembly at 4:00 p.m. on 10 February, 2016 in the ECOSOC Chamber. Regional groups will be invited to deliver statements at this event.

Over the last 70 years, the Committee has become an essential element in the institutional machinery to help ensure that the funds entrusted to the United Nations by Member States are used in an effective and efficient manner. With the growth in the breadth and scope of the Organization's activities, and increasing pressure to demonstrate judicious use of public funds, the expertise and advice provided by the Committee continues to be important in the consideration of administrative and budgetary matters.

I look forward to your participation in this meeting.

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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Mogens Lykketoft'.

Mogens Lykketoft

To all Permanent Representatives  
And Permanent Observers to the United Nations  
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