



27 April 2017

Excellency,

Further to our letter of 29 March, we have the honour to circulate herewith, for your consideration, a Zero Draft of the outcome document of the 2017 ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development follow-up. The attached draft seeks to take into account the views, expressed by Member States during the first and second informal consultations, held on 4 and 21 April 2017, regarding the desired content and format of the document. As announced at the last informal consultation, we are also sharing with you a tentative programme of work for intergovernmental negotiations on the conclusions and recommendations of the 2017 FfD Forum.

We will convene the third informal consultation at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, 2 May 2017, in the ECOSOC Chamber to present the Zero Draft of the outcome document, and hear your general comments and first reactions.

We count on your active participation in and support to this process.

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

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