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Excellency,

We refer to our letter dated June 1, 2007 and to the first meeting of the informal consultations of the General Assembly on United Nations System-wide Coherence, held on June 6, 2007.

We wish to extend our sincerest gratitude to all delegations for the constructive and positive manner in which you engaged during our first meeting. We were particularly encouraged by your reaction to our proposal on a work programme based on eight components or main themes as contained in the High-Level Panel's report on United Nations System-wide Coherence, namely - delivering as one at country level, humanitarian issues and recovery, environment, gender, human rights, governance and institutional reform, funding and business practices.

To assist delegations in their preparations for our subsequent meetings we have attached a paper which tries to summarize the relevant recommendations of the High-Level Panel's report, as related to each component of the work programme. We will organize a number of briefings and informal consultations. A copy of the initial work programme is also attached.

You might be aware that officials from the eight pilot countries as well as the respective UN Resident Coordinators for these countries will be in New York during the week of June 18, 2007. We believe that we can utilize this opportunity to be briefed on the progress being made on the ground in the pilot countries. We believe that this briefing will enrich our future discussions under the various components.

Finally let us reiterate our willingness to meeting with individual delegations or groups of countries to receive your views and suggestions. We look forward to your continued support and cooperation.

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

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