Explanatory note on matrix of commitments and initiatives

The High Level Plenary Meeting of the United Nations on the Millennium Development Goals (MDG Summit) concluded with the adoption of an Outcome Document representing a global action plan to achieve the eight anti-poverty goals by their 2015 target. Announcement of major new commitments and initiatives to accelerate MDG progress were made in support of the global action plan by Governments, international organizations and partners as well as by business representatives.

This matrix constitutes a compilation of initiatives and commitments relating to the 2010 High-level Meeting which were made during the six General Assembly Plenary Sessions, six high-level roundtables and over 80 partnership events, as well as the UN Global Compact Private Sector Forum. The commitments were drawn from the records provided by the organizers.

The matrix though comprehensive is not exhaustive. In his report "Keeping the Promise" the Secretary-General highlighted that keeping our past promises, including the Gleneagles commitments, in spite of the more difficult international environment will bring us a long way in achieving the MDGs. This matrix therefore includes both old and new commitments.

While financial support by donors is necessary and crucial to meet the deadline for the achievement of the MDGs by 2015, developing countries have primary responsibility for their own development. Many have to put the MDGs at the heart of the national agenda. This matrix therefore also includes several of the important commitments made by developing countries to prepare MDG Strategies and create the necessary enabling environment to accelerate MDG progress.

More detailed information on the different commitments made and initiatives launched can be found on the MDG Summit website where <u>GA statements</u>, <u>Reports from the high-level roundtables</u>, a report on the <u>Partnership Events</u> and the <u>UN Global Compact Private Sector Forum</u> are made available.