

25 February 2016

Excellency,

I refer to resolution 69/313, by which the General Assembly endorsed the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, in which Member States decided to establish an annual ECOSOC forum on financing for development follow-up. Further, in its resolution 70/192 of 22 December 2015, the General Assembly decided that the forum will hold its sessions at the United Nations Headquarters in New York in the spring and its inaugural session in 2016.

The same resolution requested me to take steps necessary to prepare the work of the forum according to paragraph 132 of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda and invited me to consider appointing two co-facilitators, as appropriate, who will prepare the draft conclusions and recommendations of the forum and will facilitate consultations among Member States with a view to reaching its intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations.

In this regard, I have the honour to inform you that I have decided to appoint H.E. Mr. Jean-Francis Regis Zinsou, Permanent Representative of Benin to the United Nations and H.E. Mr. Vladimir Drobnjak, Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations to act as co-facilitators for the preparation of draft conclusions and recommendations of the forum and to facilitate consultations among Member States, with a view to reaching an intergovernmental agreement on that draft. I would like to thank Ambassador Zinsou and Ambassador Drobnjak for accepting this responsibility and trust that you will extend your full cooperation and support them.

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

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