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Excellency,

As you know, the inaugural ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development follow-up will be held from 18 to 20 April 2016 in the Trusteeship Council Chamber at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. The theme of the Forum will be “Financing for sustainable development: follow-up to the Addis Ababa Action Agenda.” According to its mandate, the Forum will address the follow-up and review of the Financing for Development outcomes and the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The modalities of participation will be those utilized at the international conferences on financing for development.

Participation of your Ministers of Finance, Development Cooperation, or Foreign Affairs, or Central Bank Governor will be greatly appreciated. All ministers attending the meeting will be invited to intervene during the inaugural segment on Monday, 18 April 2016. The next two days of the Forum will include a series of multi-stakeholder round tables. The Forum will result in intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations that will be fed into the overall follow-up and review of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development.

In this connection, I have the honour to invite your Government to nominate a representative at the senior official level with substantive knowledge and expertise, preferably from the Ministry of Finance, to attend the Forum. Subject to availability of extra-budgetary funding, the United Nations will strive to cover the cost of a round trip economy class ticket, daily subsistence allowance and terminal expenses of one representative from your country to participate in the meetings.

In order to ensure timely travel arrangements, it would be appreciated if the duly completed nomination form of your country’s designated representative, including the passport biopages, could be sent to the Secretariat by Monday, 28 March 2016. The nomination form should be completed and sent by email to Ms. Marcela Guimaraes at guimaraes@un.org, with a copy to Mr. Huanyu Liu at liuh@un.org.

Please note that all relevant information and documentation concerning the meetings will be available on the website of the FfD Forum at the following link <http://www.un.org/esa/ffd/ffd-follow-up/ecosoc-ffd-forum.html>.

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



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Director

To Permanent Representatives of States
Members of the Group of G77 and China
to the United Nations