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## The Assistant Director-General for Communication and Information

Letter addressed to the National Commissions for UNESCO

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Dear Secretary General,

I am pleased to inform you that the first consultation meeting of IFAP National Committees is planned to take place in Russia, in December 2009.

I should therefore like to invite those National Commissions for UNESCO, which have already established a National Committee for the Information for All Programme, to support the participation of one or more representative (s) at this event. I also seize this opportunity to express my hope that in the near future more National Committees will be established by those National Commissions for UNESCO that have not done it so far.

May I also underline that the results of the survey of IFAP National Committees conducted in 2008 clearly showed that Committees, even in Member States where, as we were informed, such Committees had been created and were operating, did not respond to the questionnaire sent both by the Chair of the IFAP Council and subsequently by the IFAP Secretariat. This suggests to us that these Committees are inactive for the time being, but we would certainly be pleased to be informed by you that this perception is incorrect.

Please note that, at present, we have contacts and regular exchanges with the IFAP Committees from the following countries: Austria, Canada, Chile, China, Cuba, Denmark, Egypt, France, Germany, Hungary, Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Jamaica, Jordan, Lithuania, Netherlands, Nigeria, Philippines, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Slovakia and United Republic of Tanzania.

For the recent decisions by the IFAP Bureau, the adopted IFAP Strategic Plan and the plan of activities for 2009/2010, I invite you to consult the following web-site:

www.unesco.org/webworld/ifap/

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Yours sincerely,

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