



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

New York, 16 July 2013

Excellency,

I have the honor to refer to General Assembly Resolution A/RES/65/1 (paragraph 79), which requests the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-eight session to organize a special event in 2013 to follow up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals. In this regard, I have been informed by co-facilitators of the Special Event on the Millennium Development Goals, H.E. Anne Anderson, Permanent Representative of Ireland and H.E. Kingsley Mamabolo, Permanent Representative of the Republic of South Africa that the Member States have agreed as to the importance of moving ahead on logistics for the Special Event without further delay.

Having that in mind, and as mandated by abovementioned resolution, I would like to inform you that the modalities of the Special Event will be as follows:

The Special Event will be convened on Wednesday, 25 September 2013 at 9:00 am at the Trusteeship Council Chamber as a one-day event.

The Event will comprise of opening and closing plenary meetings, and of up to four high-level multi-stakeholder roundtable sessions, each of which will have the same broad theme focusing on gaps and weaknesses, and the acceleration of the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals, as well as looking forward to the post-2015 Development Agenda.

The proceedings of the Special Event will be governed by the rules of procedure and practices of the General Assembly.

At the opening of the meeting, which will last for one hour, a limited number of representatives of Member and Observer States and Observers, and a small number of other stakeholders will be invited to speak. Due regard will be paid to ensure geographic balance of the speakers.

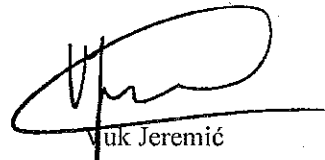
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I will draw up the list of representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, who may participate in the Special Event, as well as other relevant civil society organizations, academic institutions, youth groups and private sector representatives who may also participate, taking into account equitable geographic representation. Bearing in mind the constraints imposed by a one-day meeting, the number of speaking slots at each round table for these groups will necessarily be limited.

I will consult with the regional groups about the chairmanship of the round tables.

A detailed program of the event will be circulated in due course.

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



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