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Subject: Second Draft of the Mexico HLM Communiqué

Dear Members of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation

Following my communication dated 3 March 2014, I am pleased to refer to the progress on the process of preparation and consultation of the Communiqué of the First High-level Meeting of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (GPEDC) that will take place in Mexico on 15-16 April 2014 (<http://effectivecooperation.org/hlm2014/>). In this regard, please find enclosed the second draft of the Communiqué for your kind consideration.

This second draft is informed by the extremely helpful inputs and advice kindly provided by a wide array of partners at various *in situ* and online consultations held during the last two weeks, including the following:

- The contributions of the Multilateral Development Banks Aid Effectiveness Working Group, the G7+ and International Dialogue on Peacebuilding and Statebuilding, the Inter-Parliamentary Union, the OECD network of Foundations Working for Development, the Civil Society Organizations Partnership for Development Effectiveness, the UN Development Group, the multi-stakeholder teams working on the preparation of the First High-level Meeting of the GPEDC, and members of the Steering Committee and the GPEDC.
- The results of the global monitoring report on Busan implementation conducted and analyzed by the UNDP-OECD Joint Support Team of the GPEDC, which are about to be publicly released.
- The formal and informal consultations held in Paris (DAC-OECD Senior Level Meeting, 3 March 2014), Vienna (Arab Donors Coordinating Group, 4 March 2014), New York (informal consultations at the United Nations, 5-7 March), and Korea (Asia-Pacific Multi-Stakeholder Consultation on the GPEDC, 10-11 March 2014).

In the coming days, with the help of all partners, we will be able to finalize the draft Communiqué and give content to its Annex on Voluntary Initiatives, building upon the inputs from the further consultations scheduled in Berlin (UN Development Cooperation Forum, 19 March 2014) and Beijing (Preparatory Workshop for South-South Cooperation Providers for the First High-level Meeting of the Global Partnership, 24-25 March 2014), as well as through other relevant forums and exchanges as required.

Please note that this second draft already reflects a broad emerging consensus among the members of the GPEDC and that at this stage we are only inviting inputs on pressing concerns or required technical precisions for fine-tuning the draft. A third and final draft will be released in early April for its definitive approval under a silence procedure.

Please also note that the Annex on Voluntary Initiatives will provide a valuable platform to highlight important efforts led by members of the GPEDC. The guidelines for the presentation of such initiatives will be provided shortly.

Thank you for your kind consideration. I look forward to continue working with all of you and to continue benefitting from your generous support and advice as we approach our First High High-Level Meeting in Mexico.

Yours sincerely,

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