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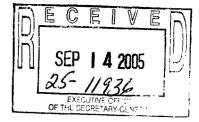
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THE HUMANITARIAN SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Note to the Secretary-General

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1. Thank you for your comments on my Note of 6 September regarding the new approach we are taking to appeal for funds for the humanitarian situation in the DRC. I have consistently encouraged Humanitarian Coordinators and United Nations Country Teams (UNCT) to prepare appeals that fully recognize the scope of the needs and include all actors and programmes, inside and outside the United Nations. For their part, donors have consistently pushed for comprehensive appeal documents that fully reflect NGO participation. We are seeing this approach come to fruition in the DRC, largely as a result of its status as a pilot country for the Good Humanitarian Donorship initiative and the leadership of DSRSG Mountain. The 2006 Action Plan will be an excellent advocacy tool, and I intend to aggressively promote it.

2. I fully expect that other UNCTs will adopt this approach. In doing so, it will be crucial to engage with local donors to build support, as has been done in the DRC. I will continue my dialogue with the donor community to ensure that adequate funding is made available in a timely and equitable manner.

Jan Egelan

14 September 2005

cc: Mr. Guéhenno Mr. Dervis

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Note to Mr. Egeland

Humanitarian Situation in the Democratic Republic of Congo

The Secretary-General has read your note of 14 September regarding the DRC and finds your approach excellent.

Michael Møller 20 September 2005

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