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THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

11 June 2004

Dear Mr. President,

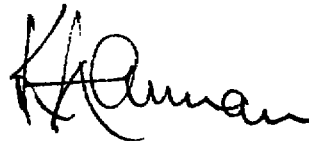
I should like to acknowledge, with appreciation, receipt of your letter of 28 May 2004 concerning your efforts in the planning of the 2005 high-level event on "Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit and integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields". I was very pleased to learn that you have already initiated the open-ended consultations on the modalities, format and organization of this high-level event, as called for in resolution A/58/291. I also applaud your choice of facilitators, namely, Their Excellencies Mr. Gert Rosenthal and Mr. John L. Lovald.

As to your suggestion to establish a parallel mechanism at the inter-agency level, I am pleased to inform you that the Deputy Secretary-General is already overseeing the inter-agency preparations, for which she has established an inter-departmental group involving all the key senior officials concerned. I understand it is the opinion of this group that, before they can advise me as to the possible content of my report on this matter, requested for the 59<sup>th</sup> session of the General Assembly, they wish to carefully follow your consultations so that the views expressed therein by Member States may be fully taken into account. The Deputy Secretary-General shall maintain close contact with you and Member States as the consultations progress. You should also be aware that the Chief Executives Board (CEB), through its High-Level Committee on Programmes, has undertaken a thorough review of the contributions of the United Nations system to the implementation of the Millennium Declaration and expects to discuss its report in the fall of this year.

His Excellency  
Mr. Julian R. Hunte  
President of the General Assembly  
New York

Let me assure you, Mr. President, that it is my intention to mobilize the entire United Nations system, at the national, regional and international levels, to guarantee the fullest participation and the most beneficial outcome of this planned high-level event.

Please accept, Mr. President, the assurances of my highest consideration.

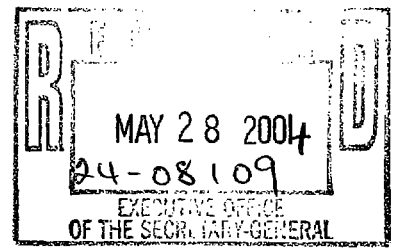
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Kofi A. Annan



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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28 May 2004

*received 1 June*

Dear Secretary-General,

On 6 May 2004 the General Assembly adopted A/RES/58/291 entitled "Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit and Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields". By this resolution, the Assembly decided to convene in 2005, at the commencement of its sixtieth session, a high-level plenary meeting with the participation of Heads of State and Government, on dates to be decided by the Assembly at its Fifty-ninth session.

The resolution further mandated the President of the General Assembly to conduct open-ended consultations on the modalities, format and organisation of the high-level event. In this context, I have invited H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal, Permanent Representative of Guatemala, and H.E. Mr. John L. Lovald, Permanent Representative of Norway, to serve as Facilitators for the open-ended consultations I have been mandated by the resolution to conduct.

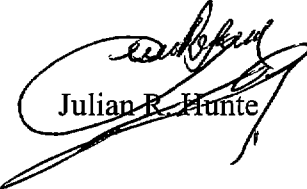
In order to provide support to the process of inter-governmental consultations, I believe that it would be helpful if I could be assisted by a parallel mechanism at the inter-agency level. I would greatly appreciate it therefore if you would agree to establish such a mechanism. In this context, I would like to suggest that the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, Mr. Mark Malloch Brown, is well placed to lead this inter-agency consultation process, given the coordinating role that he already plays in this area within the Secretariat in his capacity as Chairman of the United Nations Development Group.

The input from inter-agency consultations would be invaluable to informing the open-ended consultations that I have requested Ambassadors Rosenthal and Lovald to lead on my behalf. In addition, with the aim of securing substantive inputs from Governments as well as ensuring participation at the highest level in the 2005 high-level plenary meeting, the UNDP country offices could greatly assist us in informing and briefing capitals on this process.

Given the critical importance of this matter and the condensed time available for these consultations, should you agree to my proposal I would further suggest that the inter-agency consultations commence immediately so that the outcome can be made available to the on-going intergovernmental deliberations before 20 June 2004.

I am confident that I can count on your full support and cooperation and look forward to your favourable consideration of this suggestion and early response.

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



Julian R. Hunt

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