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Distinguished Member of the High Level Panel,

We recently had the pleasure of convening the thematic consultation on ‘*Addressing Inequalities in the Post-2015 Development Agenda*’, which was concluded by a Public Dialogue and Leadership Meeting held in Copenhagen on 18-19 February 2013.

The *Leadership Meeting* was conducted as a high-level roundtable dialogue with more than 40 ministers from all regions of the world, high-level UN representatives and civil society leaders participating, including five distinguished members of the High Level Panel.

The outcome of the meeting is the enclosed Chairpersons’ Summary Statement that holds a number of recommendations for further work on a post-2015 development agenda. These include the need to build on the momentum of the MDGs and ‘go to zero’ in terms of eradicating extreme poverty and ensuring universal access to basic services such as health and education. A clear message from the meeting was also the need for the future development agenda to integrate a stronger link to human rights as key values and enablers of development. Striving to reduce inequalities is not only right in principle; it is also right in practice. Equitable societies promote social capital, social cohesion and stability, trust and tolerance and thereby innovation, economic growth and sustainable development. Finally, the meeting issued a strong recommendation for a new post-2015 development framework to include not only a universal goal on gender equality, but also to ensure that gender and other dominant inequalities are mainstreamed in all relevant areas.

The Leadership Meeting was the culmination of an extensive public consultation on *Addressing Inequalities*. Further information on the consultation, including the synthesis report, is available on: www.worldwewant2015.org/inequalities.

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A brief overview of key messages from the Report on the *Addressing Inequalities Consultation* is also enclosed.

We hope you will find the outcome of the *Addressing Inequalities Consultation* a valuable input to your further work on the post-2015 agenda and look forward to the report of the Panel.

Yours sincerely,



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