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14 August 2009

Dear Mr. Taksoe-Jensen,

I would like to thank you for your letter of 3 August inviting me to open the meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole and make some brief remarks on 31 August 2009.

It is with great pleasure that I accept your kind invitation.

Yours sincerely,

Asha-Rose Migiro

Mr. Peter Taksoe-Jensen
Assistant-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs
In charge of the Office of Legal Affairs
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Dear Itai,

Please find attached a note from Mr. Peter Taksoe-Jensen to Mr. Nambiar requesting the Secretary-General's attendance to open the above-mentioned event with some brief remarks on 31 August 2009. Unfortunately, the Secretary-General will be travelling and has commented "DSG could open the meeting as I'll be travelling".

I would be grateful if you could let me know if the Deputy Secretary-General is available to attend and make some brief remarks at this event.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this request.

Kind regards,

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TO: Mr. Vijay Nambiar
A: Chef de Cabinet

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FROM: Peter Taksøe-Jensen
DE: Assistant-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs
in charge of the Office of Legal Affairs

SUBJECT: **Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole, 31 August – 4 September 2009: opening**
OBJET: **of the meeting by the Secretary-General or his Deputy**

1. The General Assembly, in paragraph 157 of its resolution 63/111, decided to establish an Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole to recommend a course of action to the General Assembly at its 64th session for a "regular process, under the United Nations, for global reporting and assessment of the state of the marine environment, including socio-economic aspects" (the "Regular Process").

2. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will take place at United Nations Headquarters, from 31 August to 4 September 2009. It will be an important step in efforts to manage the oceans and their resources in a sustainable manner based on sound scientific assessments at national, regional and global scales. In that regard, parallels can be made with the advice and support provided by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change to efforts aimed at addressing climate change.

3. In order to highlight the importance of the meeting and provide the necessary impetus for a positive outcome, it would seem to us advisable that either the Secretary-General or his Deputy open the meeting with some brief remarks on 31 August.

4. Should this be agreeable in principle, OLA will prepare a brief statement for this purpose.

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For SG's approval ☐	Recommended Action: For Approval	Approved ☑
For SG's attention ☑		Noted ☐
For SG's information ☐		Seen ☐
For SG's signature ☐	Date: 06.08.09	Signed ☐
Date: 6 Aug 09	Comment (if applicable):	Date: 06/08/09
Comment (if applicable): SG will have a trip		DSG could open the meeting as SG will be travelling.
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