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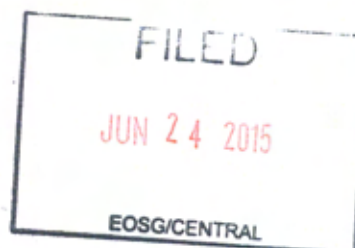
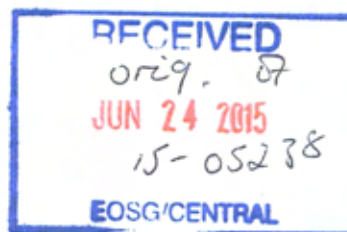
Dear Secretary-General,

I am pleased to inform you that the UNIDO, together with the Governments of Ethiopia and Senegal and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, is organizing the third ISID Forum entitled "Financing for inclusive and sustainable industrial development (ISID)" on the 14th of July as a special event within the framework of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, and I have the honor to invite you to deliver the keynote address at the opening of the Forum together with the Prime Minister of Ethiopia, the Prime Minister of Senegal and the President of the World Bank Group.

With the FfD3 in July, the UN Special Summit for Sustainable Development in September and the COP21 in December, the year 2015 will determine our actions for the next 15 years. I remain confident that under your leadership, all these events will yield successful results. Much is at stake and UNIDO is fully committed to contribute to creating a platform for implementing the post-2015 development agenda. Your keynote speech at the second ISID Forum in Vienna, in November 2014, was well received by all participants. Your vision and leadership for ISID, as demonstrated in your opening remarks, are an encouragement for UNIDO, and we continue to work along the principles you outlined on this occasion.

The objective of the third ISID Forum is to demonstrate how multi-stakeholder partnerships can mobilize funds for one of our key development priorities: industrial infrastructure and industrial projects of various scale, ranging from domestic SMEs to international large-scale investments. This will be showcased by high-level government representatives from both pilot countries, development financial institutions, the private sector, Member State delegations and others, who will also be present in the Forum.

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