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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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TO: Mr. Kemal Derviş
A: Administrator
United Nations Development Programme

DATE: 27 January 2009

THROUGH:
S/C DE:

FROM: Vijay Nambiar
DE: Chef de Cabinet

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SUBJECT: Selection of UN Resident Coordinators/UNDP Resident Representatives

With reference to your memorandum of 23 January 2009, please be advised that the Secretary-General has approved your proposal regarding the appointment of the Resident Coordinator/Resident Representative referred to below:

Country

Candidate

Nationality

Chad

Falavigna, Michele

Italy

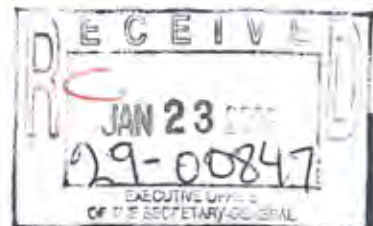
Thank you.

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Mr. Nambiar,
please find the attached
draft note for your
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signature.
Thank you Hanaouche
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Resident Coordinator Approvals by the Secretary-General

*Includes anticipated approval by the S-G in our memorandum of 23 January 2009

Year	Total No. of S-G Approvals	First Timers (Women Target Rate = 50%)			
		Women		Men	
		No.	%	No.	%
2008	28*	4	22%	14	78%
2007	31	11	50%	11	50%
2006	24	5	31%	11	69%
2005	42	12	52%	11	48%
2004	38	7	37%	12	63%

Year	No. of S-G Approvals	Women		Men		South		North	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
2008	28*	6	21%	22	79%	17	61%	11	39%
2007	31	13	42%	18	58%	15	48%	16	52%
2006	24	8	33%	16	67%	14	58%	10	42%
2005	42	16	38%	26	62%	18	43%	24	57%
2004	38	12	32%	26	68%	22	58%	16	42%

CURRICULUM VITAE

DATE: 30 November, 2008

NAME: FALAVIGNA, Michele

CONTRACTUAL STATUS: Permanent (100 Series)
GRADE: D1/4
ORGANIZATION: UNDP

CURRENT TITLE: Chief, Africa Region, UNV
CURRENT DUTY STATION: Bonn, Germany
WORK UNIT: UNV
ADDRESS: Hermann Ehler Str. 10, Bonn, 53175, Germany
TELEPHONE #: (49) 228 815 2029
E-MAIL ADDRESS: michele.falavigna@undp.org

NATIONALITY: Italian
DATE OF BIRTH: 22/11/1952
GENDER: Male

RCA Ratings: 2007: 2; 2006:3; 2005:2; 2004:2
LANGUAGES: UN Tested Proficiency: English, French.
Basic Understanding: Spanish, Portuguese
Mother tongue: Italian

New Post Title:

EDUCATION: M.A Political Science, International Studies, University of Bologna, Italy, 1980
Certificate International Studies, Diplomatic Course, Johns Hopkins University, 1981
Certificate International Trade, International Trade Institute (ICE), Rome, 1982

Internal Training: Prince 2 Certificate, Niamey 2005; RC Assessment (Score 1)-London 2004,
IT competencies: ATLAS Finance module; ICDL New York 2002; all internal mandatory courses.

SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE:

05/07 to present–Chief Africa Region, UNV-Bonn

- Enhanced quality programming and operations across the UNV in Africa. He led a team of 12 staff at HQ level and 58 staff in Country Offices and mobilized about 1500 UNVs assignments.
- Advocated for UNV stronger partnerships UN Agencies in Africa. The initiatives on the ECOWAS Youth Ambassadors for Peace and the African Union Volunteer programme have become “flagships” as highlighted by the UN Youth Report 2007.
- Launched programmes for the creation of National Volunteers Schemes for 15 countries in Africa four of which are already operational.
- Enhanced coordination with RC/RR in support of “Delivery as One” and the “One UN” concept.

07/04 to 05/07– Humanitarian and Resident Coordinator-UNDP Res. Rep in Niger

- Led the humanitarian response to mitigate the impact of the Niger 2005 food nutrition crisis. Enhanced the cohesiveness of the UN Country Team and the lead implementing role of WFP, UNICEF, FAO and WHO in their respective areas of mandate. UN image and credibility in Niger, as main channel of emergency assistance and as key development partner was fully recognized. The RC/HC successfully mediated between the highest level of the State, the donors and the Humanitarian Community. Working under constant pressure, the RC/HC had prominent exposure to media and to high level visiting missions.

- Led the donor-government Electoral Group supervising and funding the 2004 presidential, legislative and local elections. Specifically, he consolidated the trust in United Nations' image by responding in real time to unexpected circumstances throughout the electoral tests, including funding shortfalls and politically motivated suspicions.
- The country's long term-development challenges were emphasized by the RC/RR through presentations and debates at the National Assembly on the MDG and on Gender, this latter being a particularly sensitive and yet vital topic to be politically debated. He led the strategic positioning of UNDP in critical support areas: (a) Chair of the UNAIDS group, impressed a new dynamism into the National HIV/AIDS programme (MAP and GFATM funded). UNDP has also been designated as Principal Recipient for two large GFATM programmes for TB and Malaria.
- Niger is among the pilot countries for the OECD/DAC's Rome and Paris Declarations on Harmonization and Alignment. The RC/RR has created, with the consent of the major donors, an OECD/DAC group for Niger to structure the dialogue between the Government and the Donors on the PRSP that resulted in successful Donor Round Tables (Doha and Brussels) and the adoption of a code of conduct inspired by the Paris Declaration.
- Security concerns have been at the core of the RC/DO mission. The achievement of full MOSS and MORSS compliance is amongst the main results.

01/04 to 06/04 - Deputy Director for Operations - Eastern and Southern Africa (Africa Bureau, UNDP, New York)

- Coordinated the Cluster of 22 countries in Eastern and Southern Africa, providing monitoring and programming support, facilitating the interface with the Directorate and corporate units. Country backstopping functions included the presentation and approval of all Country Programme Documents in his portfolio, leaving a clean and easier take over for his successors. Corporate assignments were fulfilled, on behalf of RBA, in the areas of re-tuning corporate tools for RBM, ATLAS, BSC, LICUS and Resource Mobilization.

1998 to 2003 - Country Adviser (Africa Bureau, UNDP, New York)

- Responsible for Ethiopia, Eritrea, Uganda from 1998 to 1999 and for Angola and Indian Ocean countries (Mauritius, Madagascar Comoros) from 2000 onwards. Oversight of country situations, of programme and office performance. Special tasks related to crisis and post-crisis situations including peacekeeping in Angola, elections in Comoros and Madagascar, humanitarian relief in Horn of Africa, ECHA briefs, SG Reports to the Security Council (SC).
- Represented UNDP in the works of DPA's Angola Task Force; participated to the launching and oversight of UN peace-keeping mission in Angola (UNMA); contributed to the preparation of SG's Reports to the SC and follow up of SC's decisions; coordinated with DPKO, DPA, OCHA, HCHR, UNSECOORD and UNDG on implementation of SC decisions and activity reports.
- Monitored political, humanitarian, socio-development situation and transition to recovery in Angola, Madagascar, Comoros, Ethiopia and Eritrea; provided inputs, on UNDP's behalf, to the works of ECPS and ECHA and followed up on implementation by UN Country Team.
- Supported DPA Electoral Unit in the preparation and conduction of the elections in Madagascar and Comoros;
- Participated in formulation, resource mobilization and implementation of post-crisis recovery programmes on Mine Action, DDRR, Community Recovery, Small Arms collection in Angola.
- Participated in preparation of Consolidated Appeals (CAP) in Angola and Ethiopia; coordinated on behalf of UNDP preparation of "The UN Long Term Strategy for Food Security in the Horn of Africa"; represented UNDP in UN inter-agency meetings on Eritrea, Zimbabwe and Madagascar.
- Supported UN country programming and provided inputs to CCAs, UNDAFs, Country Programmes.
- Coordinated the annual Result Based Management exercise for the Africa Region and prepared the Result Oriented Annual Reports 1999, 2000, 2001; monitored resource allocation for the Africa Region and prepared annual resource mobilization reports.
- Maintained constant relationships with member state missions and UN stakeholders.

1996-1997 Resource Mobilization Adviser (Africa Bureau /Directorate, UNDP, New York)

- Special Assistant to the Director on non-core funded programmes, donor relationships and resource mobilization. Constituency building with donors and member states representatives. Monitoring of trends and performance in resource allocation and preparation of regular reports. External relations.
- Established a trusted relationship with African delegates to UNDP's Executive Board, particularly on the policy implications of non-core resources, and contributed to create a climate of openness to innovative funding approaches.
- The liaison work with donors resulted in increased non-core contributions in particular for the Regional Programme, Rwanda, Mozambique and Angola.
- Trends and performance in resource mobilization were constantly monitored and status reports made available regularly.
- Overall, mobilization of non-core resources by the UNDP Africa Bureau in 1996/97 achieved the highest increase ever recorded by the Bureau.

1993/95 - Programme Coordinator (WHO/Reproductive Health Division, Geneva)

- Team Leader, UN inter-agency programme to reduce maternal mortality in the context of the Beijing and Cairo global conferences. Direct supervision of programme activities, staff and resources. Development of advocacy and training tools. Contacts with the media. Resource mobilization and networking with Universities and NGOs.
- Contributed to enhance inter-agency collaboration and the pilot application of joint programming tools such as common assessments, inter-agency programme frameworks and joint inter-agency governance.
- Created a new collaborative environment at country level, triggering a UN joint response to a problem that requires cross-sector interventions.
- Contributed to raise awareness about the tragedy of high maternal mortality rates in developing countries, a socio-development indicator that was eventually included in the Millennium Development Goals.

1992 (July/August) - Officer-in-Charge UNDP Burundi

- Officer-in-Charge of the UNDP Office and, simultaneously, Officer-in-Charge of UNFPA, WFP and UNIC Offices in Burundi. Direct supervision of programme activities, staff and resources of the UNDP Country Office.
- As OIC of UNDP, the preparation of the 5th UNDP Country Programme, launched the NATCAP exercise, organized a Donor Resource Mobilization Conference; managed the office staff, administration and resources.
- As OIC of UNFPA, organized two workshops on reproductive health.
- As OIC of WFP, launched humanitarian programmes for resettlement of returnees.
- As OIC of UNIC, presided over the organization of national familiarization campaign on UN activities, which received bold media coverage and presidential sponsorship.

1989/92 - Area Officer (Africa Bureau /Central Africa Division, New York)

- Responsible for oversight and support to UNDP operations in five Central African countries. In the context of the democratization process, cooperation and conduction of joint missions with the UN Department for Political Affairs and its electoral unit and with the HCHR.
- Participated and supported the attempts of democratic transition in Gabon, Congo, Central African Republic and Burundi.
- Organized, coordinated and participated to joint DPA/ HCHR/UNDP mission to Equatorial Guinea in support of the electoral process and improvement of human rights.
- Organized and coordinated, jointly with the World bank and IMF, the 1990 Donor Conference for Central African Republic.
- Supported UN country programming, monitoring and reporting in countries under my responsibility.

1986/88 - Assistant Resident Representative- UNDP Rwanda

- Supervision of international and national staff in the Programme Section. Direct oversight of public administration, education and employment programmes. Managerial aspects included decision making on programme orientations, staff performance and coordination arrangements with the Government.
- Key policy reform initiatives were launched in association with the World Bank and cost-shared by the World Bank and bilateral donors.
- My personal involvement at substantive level was key during the project design, negotiation and formulation process.
- Interpersonal and communication skills were applied to working relationships with the office and project staff and high-level government officials.

1985 - Programme Officer (JPO) - Emergency Relief Coordination, UNDP Sénégal

- During the 1995 drought crisis in Africa, support inter-agency coordination on emergency aid and relief operations. Resource mobilization, public relations and communication with the media were also important aspects of my work.

1983/84 - Programme Officer (JPO) UNDP Libya

- Supported the UNDP Resident Representative in the management of UNDP programme and administration. *De facto* covering the Deputy Resident Representative functions under the direct supervision of the Resident Representative. Major achievements were made particularly in mobilizing Government non-core resources. The Libya programme, with a \$10 million annual delivery and 200 UN staff in the country, was presenting formidable challenges that were dealt effectively and efficiently.

1981/82 – Staff Writer (Economics and International Relations, Rome, Italy)

- Production of weekly articles for the Italian Magazine “Dialogue North-South”, a specialized publication on international affairs. My specific focus was the evolution of the dialogue between the G77, the industrialized countries and the multinational cartels on what was then the embryo of the “Globalization process”. Thirty articles were published on subjects of international trade, international law, debt issues and international cooperation.