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To Ministers of Foreign Affairs of States

Subject: Invitation to organize Parallel Events at the Tunis Summit of WSIS, 16-18 November 2005

Sir, Madam,

It is my pleasure to invite you to organize parallel events during the Tunis phase of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS). The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the host country, Tunisia, have agreed to provide premises to hold a number of parallel events, alongside the Summit and in the same premises. These parallel events include meetings, panels, discussions and workshops etc., an exhibition and events of global nature relevant to the Summit theme.

The above Parallel Events in the Kram Centre can be organized by all accredited WSISstakeholders, between 14 and 19 November 2005. Limitations may apply due to availability of space. More information about the organization parallel events is contained in the "Guidelines for Organizers of Parallel events during the second phase of WSIS", jointly established by the host country Tunisia and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). The document is available on the website of the host country http://www.smsitunis2005.tn . Please note that the deadline for submissions of requests for the organisation of events is 30 April 2005. Requests for rooms for meetings, discussions and workshops etc. should be submitted using the form indicated in the guidelines mentioned above.

Accept, Sir, Madam, the assurance of my highest consideration

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