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Invitation Round Table Implementation Meeting

Excellency,

On behalf of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, it is my great pleasure to invite you to participate at the Round Table Implementation Meeting (RTIM) on Monday 24th November 2008 in Vientiane at the Lao Plaza Hotel.

His Excellency Mr. Bouasone Bouphavanh, Prime Minister of the Lao PDR, will attend the meeting and make an opening statement. As you can see from the attached agenda, ministers and high-ranking Government officials will present and take part in discussions on issues pertaining to the key development challenges and priorities for Lao PDR.

These key issues have been identified by the Government based on consultations with all Development Partners. As you are aware, the relevant government agencies and the Sector Working Groups have been organizing a series of pre-consultations in the run-up to the RTIM. These pre-consultations aim to generate in-depth discussions on progress, challenges and future directions with regard to the respective sectors and themes.

Continuing the spirit of the constructive dialogue and partnership that has been consolidated over the past years within the Round Table framework, the RTIM will build on the outcomes of the pre-consultations with a view to agreement on future actions and support.

A background document synthesizing key development issues and providing indications for next steps is being prepared by the Government and will be circulated to you before the RTIM.

I would very much appreciate if your participation at the RTIM could be confirmed at your earliest convenience to the Secretariat: Mr. Sysomphorn Phetdaoheuang, Ms. Anouluck Meuangnalath, DIC/MIP, Tel: (856-20) 2229355, 2221991, Fax: (856-21) 263779, email: manixai2002@yahoo.com; anouluck856@yahoo.com.

I thank you for your continued support and cooperation and look forward to seeing you at the RTIM.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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Attachment: RTIM Agenda