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Invitation
Round Table Implementation Meeting

Dear Sir / Madam,

As a follow up to MPI's letter of 31st August, it is my great pleasure, on behalf of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, to invite you to participate in the 2009 Round Table Implementation Meeting (RTIM) that will take place on Tuesday 3 November at the ICTC.

His Excellency Mr. Bouasone Bouphavanh, Prime Minister of the Lao PDR, will deliver the keynote address. As in the past, Senior Ministers and other high-ranking Government officials will subsequently take part in discussions on key development issues, challenges and priorities.

The enclosed agenda takes into account the recommendations of last year's RTIM as well as suggestions expressed by Development Partners. It builds upon the work undertaken during the pre-consultations and throughout the year within the Sector Working Groups. The agenda will allow Government and Development Partner representatives to share perspectives in support of the formulation of the 7th NSEDP and the preparation of the 2010 high-level Round Table Meeting.

I would like to invite Line Ministries and Development Partners to prepare presentations and statements as proposed in the agenda. The Government will also welcome papers on issues on the agenda that Development Partners wish to circulate at the RTIM.

To facilitate deliberations at the RTIM and common understanding on what needs to be done over the coming months, a background document synthesizing key development issues is being prepared by the Government. It will build on the outcomes of the round table pre-consultations, the work of the SWGs, and assessment of progress and challenges in various areas. It will be posted on the Round Table website (www.rtm.org.la) by 28 October.

To confirm your participation, please use the registration form provided on the RT website.

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

Please accept, dear Sir / Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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Attachment: RTIM Agenda