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Subject: Informal consultation between ITU and civil society on the participation of all relevant

stakeholders (18 May 2007, 10:00-13:00)

Dear Sir / Madam,

On behalf of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and in cooperation with the Conference of NGOs in consultative relationship with the UN (CONGO), we would like to invite you to an informal consultation between ITU and civil society on the participation of all relevant stakeholders, to be held at ITU Headquarters in Geneva, on Friday May 18, from 10.00 – 13.00. This meeting is being undertaken as part of the cluster of WSIS-related meetings in Geneva from 14-25 May (see www.itu.int/wsis/implementation), for which a combined registration process will apply.

The context for the meeting is the implementation of PP-06 Resolution 141, which calls for a study of the participation of relevant stakeholders in the activities of the Union related to WSIS. The outputs of this meeting will provide an input to the Council Working Group that ITU has established, comprising Member States, to implement this Resolution. That Group will meet for the first time on June 15 (see: www.itu.int/council/groups/stakeholders) and will develop and conduct open consultations, also using electronic means.

Please find enclosed a draft agenda. We would also invite contributions to the meeting, which can be sent by email to ITU-Stakeholders@ITU.int. For more information on the meeting, please see http://www.itu.int/council/groups/stakeholders/.

We look forward to welcoming you to the meeting.

Yours faithfully,

(signed) (signed)

Dr Hamadoun I. TOURE, Ms. Renate BLOEM, Secretary-General **CONGO President**

Attachment: Draft agenda

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Informal consultation between ITU and civil society on the participation of all relevant stakeholders

Open to all WSIS Stakeholders, including ITU membership

ITU HQ, Geneva, Friday May 18, 10.00 – 13.00 Rooms K1 and K2, Montbrillant Building, ITU (2, Avenue Varembé)

DRAFT AGENDA*

- 1. Welcome
 - -- ITU Secretary-General
 - -- CONGO President
- 2. Nomination of chair
- 3. Presentation by ITU
 - -- Existing membership arrangements
 - -- Resolution 141
- 4. Presentation by a Civil Society representative
 - -- Concerns of civil society
 - -- Inputs to the study
- 5. Discussion
- 6. Any other business

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