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Subject Request for input to the Report of the Secretary-General on the Role and work of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

Dear Mr. Stern,

I am writing to seek your input to the Report of the UN Secretary-General mandated by ECOSOC resolution 2011/33 on international tax cooperation. This report will address the role and work of the UN Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters in promoting international tax cooperation, including further options to strengthen the work of the Committee itself and its cooperation with concerned multilateral bodies and relevant regional and subregional organizations. It is intended to inform the discussion during ECOSOC meeting, mandated by the same resolution, which will be held in March 2012 to consider international cooperation in tax matters, including institutional arrangements to promote such cooperation. We feel that reflecting the views of major multilateral organizations active in international tax cooperation will allow us to present a fuller and more objective picture in this report. The draft outline of the report is attached for your reference.

To streamline your inputs, I would suggest that you focus on ways of addressing gaps and deficiencies in international tax cooperation through strengthening collaboration between United Nations and your organization, as appropriate. Owing to the established word limit of UN intergovernmental reports (8,500 words), your input will be summarized in the relevant sections of the report, which will not preclude us from posting the full text of your reply on our website at <http://www.un.org/esa/ffd/tax/>.

In order to enable us to meet our deadlines, we would appreciate it very much if you would respond by **20 January 2012** to Dominika Halka (halka@un.org) with a copy to Michael Lennard (lennard@un.org).

We would also like to take this opportunity to extend to you our Holiday Greetings and Best Wishes for the New Year.

Best regards,

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