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Excellencies,

I wish to formally extend an invitation to all Members of the Peacebuilding Commission (PBC) to participate in the first Annual Session of the Peacebuilding Commission, scheduled for Monday, 23 June 2014. The opening and closing segments of the session will take place at 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM, respectively, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. I am pleased to inform that the UN Secretary-General has agreed to address the opening segment. The Presidents of the General

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Assembly and the Security Council have been invited to participate and address the closing segment. I am currently in contact with a potential keynote speaker who will be invited to address the opening segment.

Following-up on the decision taken on 3 December 2013 by the PBC's

presented at the closing segment.

For more information on the theme, sub-themes and the structure of the event, your attention is kindly drawn to the attached concept paper. The concept paper and additional documents will also be available on the PBC website (<http://www.un.org/en/peacebuilding/annualsession2014.shtml>).

As stipulated in the agreed modalities, I wish to emphasise that Member States are strongly encouraged to ensure “participation of capital-based senior officials at the highest possible level”

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