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**CONVOCAATION OF THE  
2006 PARLIAMENTARY HEARING AT THE UNITED NATIONS**

Geneva, 3 July 2006

Dear Madam President,  
Dear Mr. President,

I am pleased to announce that the 2006 Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations during the 61<sup>st</sup> session of the General Assembly will take place on 13 and 14 November. As in past years, it will be held in the ECOSOC Chamber at the United Nations in New York. You will find attached an information note and registration form.

This year's meeting is entitled "*Conflict Prevention and Peace-Building: Reinforcing the Key Role of the United Nations*". The discussions will centre on the following aspects:

- the main findings of the 2006 United Nations Secretary-General's Report on Conflict Prevention;
- the new UN Peace-Building Commission: challenges and expectations;
- the fight against corruption, nationally and internationally, and implementation of the UN Convention against Corruption (October 2003) and other multilateral instruments;
- follow-up to the 2005 World Conference of Speakers of Parliaments: how to strengthen parliaments in their interaction with the United Nations.

The full agenda and document sets will be sent to parliaments in September. Each session of the Hearing – to be organized in the form of panel discussions - will be assisted by a rapporteur, who will report in the afternoon of the second day and submit conclusions and recommendations. The Report of the Parliamentary Hearing will subsequently be circulated as an official United Nations document.

As in the past, the 2006 Parliamentary Hearing will bring together legislators who are part of their national delegations to the United Nations General Assembly, and in particular those whose work in their parliamentary select committees concerns the issues outlined above. We kindly ask that delegations confirm their participation by October 15, 2006.

I look forward to seeing you at this year's meeting in New York, and remain

Yours sincerely,

Anders B. Johnsson  
Secretary General