

Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development Preparatory process and conference modalities

(Summary of Draft Resolution A/C.2/62/L.59 of 6 December 2007)

1. Preparatory Process

Regional Preparations (January – June 2008)

- GA “calls upon the regional commissions” to hold regional consultations during the first half of 2008 to serve as inputs for the Doha Conference.

Substantive Preparations in the GA (January –June 2008)

- Six substantive informal review sessions of the whole on the six thematic areas of the Monterrey Consensus (maximum duration of eleven working days).
- Informal interactive hearings with representatives of civil society and the business sector (one working day).
- Report of the Secretary-General on the latest developments related to the review process on FfD and the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus by the end of July 2008.

Negotiation Process (July - November 2008)

- Informal consultations on the contents of the outcome document of the Review conference with the view to presenting the first draft outcome document by end of July 2008.
- Informal consultations and drafting sessions in the period September 2008 until the Review Conference.

2. Conference Modalities

- **Conference venue:** Doha, Qatar.
- **Date:** 29 November to 2 December 2008.
- **Level:** Conference will be held “at the highest possible political level” – including the participation of Heads of State or Government.
- **Format:** Plenary meetings and six interactive multi-stakeholder round tables (along the six thematic issues of the Monterrey Consensus).
- **Outcome:** An “intergovernmentally agreed outcome” and a report of the conference, including summaries of the plenary meetings and the roundtable discussions.
- **NGO-Participation:** Registration is open “to all non-governmental organizations that are in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council and to all non-governmental organizations and business sector entities accredited to the International Conference on Financing for Development or its follow-up process”. Interested NGOs not in consultative status with the ECOSOC or not accredited to the FfD process yet may apply to the GA for accreditation following the accreditation procedure established during the International Conference.