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**EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
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9 June 2005

REFERENCE:

Dear Mr. Gandhi,

I have the pleasure to invite you to participate in the Informal Interactive Hearings of the General Assembly, to be held on 23 and 24 June 2005 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. The Hearings are held in accordance with General Assembly resolutions 59/145 of 17 December 2004, 59/291 of 15 April 2005 and 59/293 of 27 May 2005.

In resolution 59/291 the General Assembly decided that the President of the General Assembly would determine the list of invited participants and the exact format and organization of the Hearings, in consultation with Member States and representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, civil society organizations and the private sector. The President of the General Assembly established a Task Force composed of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, civil society organizations and the private sector to assist him in the preparation of the Hearings, in particular with the selection of the participants to be invited to the Hearings.

Further information on the Hearings, including indication of the session in which you will participate, will be communicated to you separately by the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS), which has been assisting the President of the General Assembly and the Task Force in this process.

Please use this letter to support your application for a visa for entry into the United States through the local United States Embassy or Consulate, if necessary.

Mr. Jagdish Gandhi
City Montessori School (CMS)
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You should plan to arrive in New York on the evening of 21 June to take part in the orientation meetings scheduled on 22 June. Upon arrival at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, you are advised to enter the United Nations complex through the Visitors' Entrance (at First Avenue and 46th Street). There will be a registration desk where you will receive a United Nations grounds pass upon presentation of this letter and a valid passport or photo identification.

Should you need further information, please contact the UN-NGLS at: npls@un.org, telephone: 1-212-963-3125, or fax: 1-212-963-8712.

I look forward to your participation at this important event, which is being held as an input to the preparatory process of the High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly to be held from 14 to 16 September 2005.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Malloch Brown". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Mark Malloch Brown
Chef de Cabinet