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The Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) presents his compliments to the Permanent Representatives of Member States and Permanent Observers of Non-Member States to the United Nations and has the honour to inform that pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 67/216, by which the Assembly decided that the second session of the Preparatory Committee would take place in Nairobi in 2015, and 69/226, by which the Assembly endorsed the recommendation of the Preparatory Committee at its first session to hold the second session from 14 to 16 April 2015, the second session of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) will be held from Tuesday, 14 April to Thursday, 16 April 2015, at the United Nations Office in Nairobi.

The Secretary-General further has the honour to inform that funding will be made available from the Habitat III Trust Fund for one representative from Least Developed Countries to participate in the second session of the Preparatory Committee. For more information, please see enclosed annex.

The second session of the Preparatory Committee is scheduled to take place immediately preceding the twenty-fifth session of the Governing Council of UN-Habitat, which will be held from Friday, 17 April to Thursday, 23 April 2015, at the United Nations Office in Nairobi.

Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations are invited to confirm the participation of their Governments in the second session of the Preparatory Committee and to communicate to the Secretariat (e-mail: muturi@un.org, with copy to: habitat3secretariat@un.org; fax: (+1-212) 963-3783) no later than 13 March 2015 the composition of their delegations.

Detailed information relating to the second session of the Preparatory Committee, including documentation, will be available on the Conference website at: www.habitat3.org.

The Secretary-General of Habitat III avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Representatives of Member States and Permanent Observers of Non-Member States to the United Nations the assurances of his highest consideration.

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