

DRAFT LETTER TO MR THOMAS GASS, UN DESA

XX April, 2015

His Excellency Thomas Gass
Assistant Secretary- General
UN – DESA
New York

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As we move closer to the implementation and monitoring phase of the post-2015 agenda, we consider it vital to ensure that the principle of inclusion of diverse voices is firmly embedded and strengthened throughout the process. We seek the support of the UN Secretariat and of your office to ensure that major groups and other stakeholders are able to attend all official meetings, have access to all official information and documents, make interventions in meetings, submit documents and present written and oral contributions, make recommendations, organize side events and round tables - in brief, to fully operationalize para 15 of the HLPF resolution. Thus, we kindly seek clarity on the architecture of the HLPF, its ways of working and the involvement of major groups and other stakeholders.

We hope to meet you at the earliest available opportunity to further this conversation, and in time for us to properly prepare our inputs for the forthcoming session of the next

HLPF. Ms. Arelys Bellorini (Arelys_Bellorini@wvi.org) from World Vision is our point of contact for further communication on the content of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

(Names of organisations)

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DRAFT LETTER TO Ambassador Martin Sajdik, ECOSOC President

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