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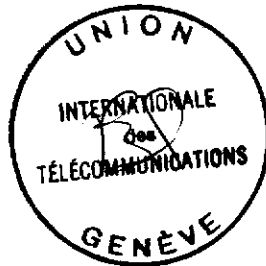
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27 JUN 2012





**The Secretary-General**

Geneva, 27 June 2012

Her Excellency  
Mrs Marit Arnstad  
Minister  
Ministry of Transport and Communications  
Norway

Madam,

On behalf of the 193 Member States of the International Telecommunication Union, it is my great honour to invite your Excellency to ITU Telecom World 2012, to be held in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, from 14-18 October 2012. The event will be hosted by the government of the UAE, and will take place at the Dubai International Convention and Exhibition Centre (DICEC). I would be honoured if you would join us as a guest to participate in our exclusive "Leadership Summit", which provides highest level VIP access to all components of the event.

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I very much hope you will accept my invitation to participate in the event. I look forward to welcoming you to Dubai in October.

Accept, Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Dr Hamadoun I. Touré



PERMANENT MISSION OF NORWAY

Samferdselsdepartementet  
Samferdselsminister Marit Arnstad  
Postboks 8010 Dep  
0030 OSLO

Your ref:

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29 juni 2012

**Invitasjonsbrev til samferdselsminister Marit Arnstad fra Dr. Hamadoun  
Touré, Secretary-General, International Telecommunication Union (ITU),  
Genève**

Vedlagt følger invitasjon fra generalsekretæren i ITU, Hamadoun Touré datert 27 juni 2012 om deltakelse i høynivådelen «Leadership Summit» under "ITU Telecom World 2012" som holdes i Dubai, De forente Arabiske Emirater fra 14. til 18. oktober 2012.

Brevet er ankommet oss 29. juni 2012.

Med vennlig hilsen,

Rigmor Blattner  
Sekretær

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PERMANENT MISSION OF NORWAY

No 50/2012

The Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations Office in Geneva and other International Organizations in Switzerland presents its compliments to The International Telecommunication Union and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of your note verbal, dated 2 April 2012, where you forward an invitation from Dr. Hamadoun I. Touré to Prime Minister Jens Stoltenberg.

The Permanent Mission of Norway has taken due note of the above-mentioned communication and has not failed to transmit the letter to the competent authorities. We regret to inform you that Prime Minister Jens Stoltenberg will not be able to attend the ITU Telecom World 2012, which will take place in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, from 14-18 October 2012.

The Permanent Mission of Norway avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the International Telecommunication Union the assurances of its highest consideration. *SK*



Geneva, 03 May April 2012

The International Telecommunication Union

Geneva

Devold Aase

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**From:** Desmeules Helle Mari Denstadli  
**Sent:** 15. mai 2012 15:40  
**To:** networking.telecom@itu.int  
**Cc:** ottar.ostnes@sd.dep.no; Devold Aase  
**Subject:** Invitations to attend ITU Telecom World 2012, Dubai, UAE, 14-18 October 2012 - Norway

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for email where you refer to your Note Verbale concerning the invitation to the Head of State and Minister of Communication inviting each to the ITU Telecom World 2012.

We are pleased to inform you that we have not failed to transmit the abovementioned invitation to the competent authorities. We further refer to our Note Verbal No 50/2012 of May 2012.

Best regards,

Helle Mari Denstadli Desmeules  
Secretary  
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Permanent Mission of Norway  
35 bis av. de Budé  
1202 Geneva

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**From:** Telecom Networking, ITU [<mailto:networking.telecom@itu.int>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 09, 2012 10:39 AM  
**To:** Permanent Mission of Norway in Geneva  
**Cc:** 't; 'ottar.ostnes@sd.dep.no'  
**Subject:** Invitations to attend ITU Telecom World 2012, Dubai, UAE, 14-18 October 2012 - Norway

Dear Sir/Madam,

You should have received, via Note Verbale, invitation letters addressed to the Head of State or Head of Government and Minister of Communications inviting each to attend ITU Telecom World 2012 (copies attached). We would appreciate the Mission's efforts in forwarding these to the appropriate offices and encouraging the attendance of these high-level representatives. Both are invited to register for a Leader pass and upon confirmation of attendance, are also entitled to 5 Gold passes for their accompanying delegations.

In order to facilitate the invitation follow-up process, please forward contact details of the relevant focal points for the above-mentioned, including full name, job title, telephone number and email address.

Attendance can be confirmed either by completing the reply coupon (for the Minister) or by sending an email to [networking.telecom@itu.int](mailto:networking.telecom@itu.int).

Registration details will be forwarded upon confirmation of attendance.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours faithfully,



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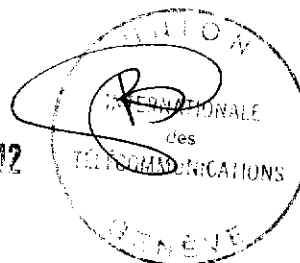
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Samferdselsdepartementet  
Samferdselsminister Magnhild Meltveit Kleppa  
Postboks 8010 Dep  
0030 OSLO

Your ref:

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Date:  
26 April 2012

**Brev fra Dr. Hamadoun Touré, generalsekretær i Den internasjonale telekommunikasjonsunionen, ITU, til samferdselsminister Magnhild Meltveit Kleppa**

Vedlagt følger brev fra generalsekretæren i ITU, Hamadoun Touré datert 19 mars 2012. Med brevet følger tentativt program for "ITU Telecom World 2012" samt svarskjema til invitasjon for nevnte arrangement.

Brevforsendelsen er ankommet oss 25. januar 2012.

Med vennlig hilsen,

Helle Mari Denstadli Desmeules



## The Secretary-General

Geneva, 19 March 2012

His Excellency  
Mr Jens Stoltenberg  
Prime Minister of Norway

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PERMANENT MISSION OF NORWAY

Statsministerens kontor,  
Glacisgata 1,  
Postboks 8001 Dep.,  
0030 Oslo

Your ref:

Our ref: hede/2012

Date: 10.04.2012

**Brev fra Dr. Hamadoun I. Touré, Generalsekretær i The International  
Telecommunication Union, ITU, til Statsminister Jens Stoltenberg**

Vedlagt oversendes brev fra generalsekretæren i The International Telecommunication  
Union, ITU, Dr. Hamadoun I. Touré av 19. mars 2012.

Forsendelsen er ankommet oss 2. april 2012.

Med vennlig hilsen,

*Helle Mari Denstadli Desmeules*  
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Samferdselsdepartementet  
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Vår ref.: bahl

Dato:

8 august 2011

**Brev til Samferdselsminister Magnhild Meltveit Kleppa angående prosjektet  
"Global Observatory for the Information Society" ITU**

Vedlagt oversendes brev datert den 22. juli 2011 fra ITU til Samferdselsminister  
Magnhild Meltveit Kleppa angående prosjektet "Global Observatory for the Information  
Society" i regi av ITU.

Med vennlig hilsen

Berith Larsen  
Sekretær  
FN-Delegasjonen

Vedlegg: Brev, brosjyre og spørreskjema



## The Secretary-General

Geneva, 22 July 2011

Contact: Ms Patricia Benoit-Guyot  
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Her Excellency  
Ms Magnhild Meltveit Kleppa  
Minister  
Ministry of Transport and Communications  
P.O. Box 8010 Dep.  
0030 OSLO  
Norway

Subject: **Global Observatory for the Information Society**

Madam,

I am pleased to inform you that ITU is launching a new project to establish a **Global Observatory for the Information Society**, which will serve as a worldwide repository for ICT data and analysis.

The main objectives of the Global Observatory are to improve significantly the quantity, quality and timeliness of ICT data worldwide; to build much-needed ICT statistical capacity in developing countries; to support and co-finance data collection and the conducting of ICT surveys in developing countries; and to produce high-quality analytical reports and timely statistical news on the latest ICT developments. This will enable policy-makers in all countries to take informed decisions on national ICT policies and strategies, and encourage and facilitate private investment in the ICT sector.

We expect this project will need USD 6 million in funding and **I am contacting you to seek your support to making this project a reality**. Your country is a leader in the deployment and uptake of advanced ICTs and high-speed broadband technologies, and has extensive experience in "statistics for development" cooperation projects. Therefore, your competence ideally complements our expertise in building ICT statistical capacity in developing countries. In the framework of the Global Observatory project, such a partnership would enhance the results of your international cooperation and bring a large number of people in developing countries into the global information society.

Enclosed you will find a brochure describing in more detail the Global Observatory, its objectives and expected results, the main activities to be delivered, and the required budget. I would request you to **return the attached form by 31 August 2011**, indicating your interest in discussing this project further and in participating in a donors' roundtable we are planning to hold in the fourth quarter of 2011.

As you may be aware, every year ITU collects, compiles and publishes the most comprehensive set of ICT statistics in the world. These statistics are widely used for assessing the state of ICT advancement of countries, for benchmarking, for tracking the digital divide and for conducting research on the impacts of ICTs on social and economic development.

**Currently available data are nonetheless far from complete** and there is increasing demand for greater insight into — and reliable statistics on — ICT usage and impact. As things stand, the data currently available to both governmental and commercial decision-makers are often not sufficiently complete and insightful, and are not produced regularly enough. Only a few governments, mainly from the more developed countries, regularly collect data and indicators on ICT usage. Even when available, national data are often not comparable across borders. Information on real use, collected through household or business surveys, allows us to measure aspects like productivity, quality of life, innovation and other hard-to-capture impact indicators.

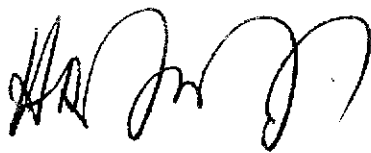
To overcome this data gap, we believe that a major push has to be made for assistance and training on ICT measurement, especially with regard to collecting survey data. The Global Observatory will be able to provide not only more — and more reliable — data, but will boost countries' capacity for providing such data on a continuous basis.

As we all know, the **next few years represent a critical phase in global ICT development**. The industry is undergoing a rapid shift, there is a need to demonstrate the huge potential of broadband, and both the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) have a fast-approaching target date of 2015. With your support, the Global Observatory will create the most comprehensive database of comparable ICT statistics ever compiled, while laying the groundwork for a sustainable stream of reliable data and analysis, especially from developing countries.

Allow me to close by emphasizing that ITU is uniquely positioned to implement this project. Given our many years of experience with ICT measurement, our excellent network of contacts in the countries and at the international level, and our close cooperation with other players in the field, we are able to ensure the best delivery of results - and fully committed to doing so.

I look forward to partnering with you in this important endeavour.

Accept, Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Dr Hamadoun I. Touré

Annexes: - Global Observatory brochure  
- Global Observatory form

The Global  
Observatory  
for the  
Information  
Society





## Overview

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The Global Observatory for the Information Society will serve as a worldwide repository for ICT data and analysis. It will enable policy makers in all countries to take informed decisions on national ICT policies and strategies. By providing a more comprehensive foundation for ICT knowledge than has ever been available, it will also encourage and facilitate private investment in the ICT sector.

The Global Observatory will:

- Significantly enhance existing ICT statistical databases, improving the quantity, quality and timeliness of ICT data, worldwide
- Build much-needed ICT statistical capacity in developing countries
- Support and co-finance data collection and the conducting of ICT surveys in developing countries
- Produce high-quality analytical reports and timely statistical news on the latest ICT developments
- Strengthen global initiatives like the MDGs, WSIS and the Broadband Commission for Digital Development

We need your support to make the Global Observatory a reality. With this unique and vital resource, the world will be better equipped to build a truly global information society.

Better Data



More Informed  
Decisions



A Truly Global  
Information  
Society

# GO for impact.

Mobile communications can save lives in emergencies. Remote clinics can send digital images to specialist doctors instantly. Students can access information from around the world. Companies can grow their businesses and create new jobs. These are life-changing benefits.

Knowing and assessing the real impact of ICTs requires accurate and comparable data.

# GO for security.

Children are the most intense users of ICTs. They are also among the most vulnerable groups in our societies.

In a mobile age where children and teenagers can access the Internet at any time and from any place, we need more data about how they are using ICTs if we want to reduce their risk of exposure to harmful content.

## The need for reliable data

Through the MDG and WSIS initiatives, world leaders have publicly recognized the critical role of ICTs in supporting societal advancement across sectors.

In recent years, there has been an almost universal call for more insightful ICT statistics in general, and for strengthening the statistical capacity of developing countries in particular. In 2010, the Broadband Commission for Digital Development was established. One of the Commission's main aims is to expand broadband access in every country as the key way to ensure the ability to reach the MDGs by the target date of 2015. However, statistical indicators are crucial for assessing the state of advancement of countries in the access, use and impact of ICTs.

Benchmarking, tracking the digital divide, and conducting research on the impacts of ICT on social and economic development, all require consistent, comparable and up-to-date data — for assessment purposes and for determining the way forward, both nationally and internationally.

## Data gaps: obstacles to growth

While there is plenty of ICT infrastructure data available from administrative data sources, there is increasing demand for greater insight into — and reliable statistics on — ICT usage and impact.

This demand for information is being met largely through surveys carried out by national statistical offices, who interview people on their broadband Internet and mobile phone usage. For example, studies have shown that Indian fishermen and Kenyan farmers have been able to increase their productivity levels by using mobile applications to exchange business and market information. Real-use information, collected through household or business surveys, allow us to measure aspects like productivity, quality-of-life, innovation, and other hard-to-capture impact indicators.

The world needs a better ICT database and it needs it now.

# GO for insight.

People living in rural and remote areas are often the ones who have the greatest to gain from ICTs. At the same time, these very people are the ones for whom we have the least amount of data.

If we're to bridge the digital divide, we need to know more about the rural information society.

The lack of readily available data on the access, use and impact of ICT (in particular broadband Internet) has been a major obstacle to identifying priority areas of policy action, to monitoring, assessing and revising e-strategies, to taking informed business decisions, or to benchmarking national ICT developments vis-a-vis those of other countries. Only a few governments, mainly from the more advanced countries, regularly collect data and indicators on ICT usage. Even when available, national data are often not comparable across borders.

**84%**

Countries with  
a national ICT  
strategy

**37%**

Countries with  
data on number  
of Internet users

**7%**

(Africa)

Based on ITU research, in 2010, 84% of countries worldwide have established national ICT strategies.

Only 37% of countries (even less in Africa) collect official data on the number of Internet users in their country, let alone information on age, gender or social status of users, where they access the Internet and what they use it for.

## Ensuring a quality stream of data and analysis

Data availability and reporting vary considerably and complementing the gaps by additional research is highly resource-intensive.

This affects the timeliness of the data as well as its quality and quantity. The result is that data currently available to both governmental and commercial decision-makers are often not insightful, complete or regular enough. To overcome this gap, a major push has to be made for assistance and training on ICT measurement, especially with regard to collecting survey data. Furthermore, there is an increasing demand for market analysis based on short-term estimates and forecast, which is a skilled and labor-intensive activity.

With additional resources, the Global Observatory will be able to provide not only more — and more reliable — data, but can boost countries' capacity for providing such data on a continuous basis.

There is no time to lose. With the MDG and WSIS deadline looming, the world's political and business communities need to have real and accurate insight into global ICT use. Intelligent policies depend on it, sustainable business investments require it, and many global development programmes are blind without it.

## Informed decisions for the information society

By enhancing the availability, quality and frequency of global ICT data, the Global Observatory will:

- Enable policy makers in all countries to take informed decisions on national ICT policies and strategies
- Provide the private sector with a more comprehensive picture of the global ICT market, allowing it to make investments with greater confidence and security
- Make it possible to realistically and more accurately measure progress on the MDG and WSIS outcomes, as well as on targets identified by the Broadband Commission and other related initiatives
- Directly contribute to the development of a truly global network

There's no time to lose.

# GO for growth.

The ICT industry is an economic driver enhancing competitiveness and growth in many countries, and across sectors.

If governments and investors are to capitalize on the huge potential offered by ICTs, they need reliable and up-to-date data, especially from emerging markets.



## Operation GO

The Global Observatory will focus on the following three main areas of operation:

1.

Enhancing global database, developing online portal, and sharing timely analysis

- Developing the ITU World Telecommunication/ICT indicators database and its technical platform (ICT Eye) into the world's most user-friendly online data portal
- Collection of data on new and emerging ICT topics
- Production of accurate estimates for missing data and short-term forecasts for key market indicators
- Frequent dissemination of ICT data and high-quality, targeted analytical outputs through online tools, publications, and regional and international events

"ITU is without a doubt the world's leading agency when it comes to publishing useful data on ICTs... its pedigree is impeccable."

— Sam Pitroda,  
Telecommunication Innovator, Adviser  
to the Prime Minister of India and  
Chairman of the National Innovation  
Council of India.

## 2.

Increasing ICT statistics from developing countries

- Delivery of group training courses at regional level for those in charge of producing official ICT statistics in developing countries
- Country-level advisory missions to provide targeted assistance on designing national ICT surveys and the development of ICT statistical data collection
- Financial support to selected countries for the implementation of national surveys
- Assisting developing countries in the analysis of ICT data, including impact analysis and benchmarking
- Organizing regional and international seminars on ICT measurement to disseminate results and raise awareness

## 3.

Monitoring and assessing global development targets

- Developing and disseminating a framework for a comprehensive monitoring and evaluation of the WSIS outcomes using comparable statistical ICT indicators, in cooperation with relevant partners
- Collecting indicators to measure MDGs, WSIS and Broadband Commission targets in cooperation with national and international stakeholders
- Preparing final assessment reports on progress towards achievement of the internationally agreed goals

# GO for understanding.

Some studies suggest that an increase in broadband by 10% can increase GDP per capita by more than 1%. This is now used widely as a basis for policy decisions. But under what conditions is this true?

More reliable and more detailed data are needed to do rigorous impact analysis.

## A global collaborative effort

The Global Observatory will be housed and managed by ITU in close collaboration with other partners.

ITU has a long history of collecting, harmonizing and disseminating international statistics on telecommunication and ICTs, with its World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators (WTI) database dating back to the 1960s. The Global Observatory will thus benefit from the existing expertise and build on the work currently carried out by ITU in this field, with the aim of significantly enhancing and improving it.

While ITU will be the executing agency of the project, it will work closely with the Partnership on Measuring ICT for Development, which currently includes OECD, UNCTAD, four UN Regional Commissions (ECA, ECLAC, ESCAP, ESWA), UNDESA, UNESCO Institute for Statistics, Eurostat, the World Bank and ITU, which is a founding member. ITU will also collaborate with other regional, national and international stakeholders.

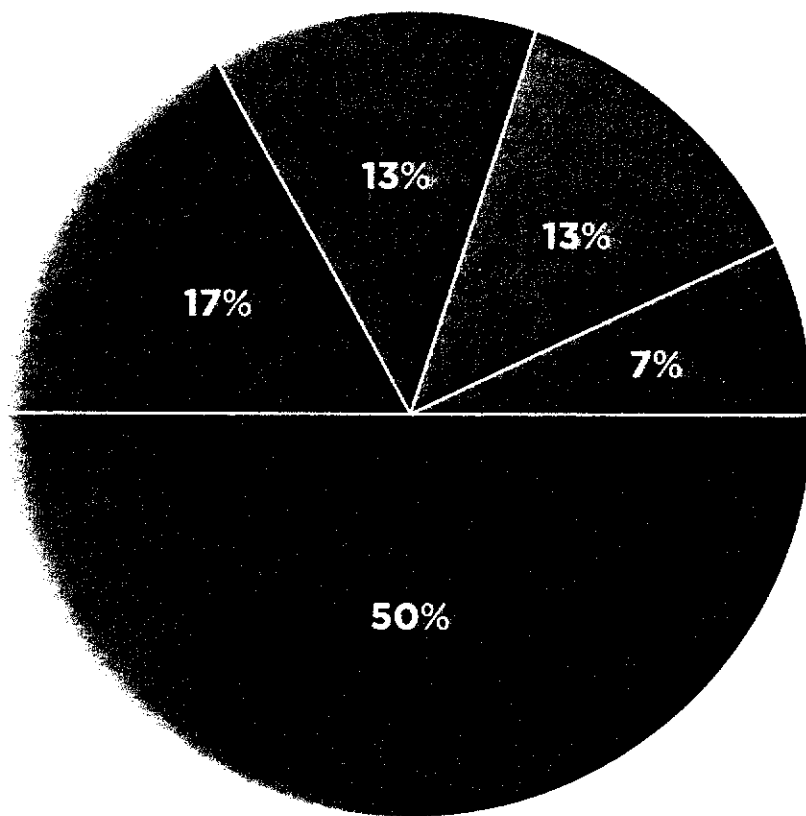
The Global Observatory repository will be set up for maximum efficiency, building on existing initiatives wherever possible. An Advisory Board consisting of members of the Partnership, donors and partners of the Global Observatory will provide strategic guidance, bring in unique expert knowledge and assist in the dissemination of the project outcomes.

"The Global Observatory will make it possible for ICT policy makers and regulators to make informed decisions based on more accurate data than is currently available; it will provide industry with the kind of statistical insight that will support strategic and investment aims; and it will give analysts a significantly better understanding of what's wrong and right with the global ICT picture."

— Dr Hamadoun I. Touré,  
Secretary General of ITU.

## A little investment that will GO a long way

A budget of approximately US\$6 million has been estimated for an initial four year period (2011–2015). This amount will ensure that people around the world are properly trained in data collection, that highly relevant data are produced, analyzed and distributed in an efficient and user-friendly way.



- 50%** Increasing data from developing countries and building local capacities
- 17%** Project management and implementation
- 13%** Knowledge sharing: database development and analysis
- 13%** Monitoring agreed development goals
- 7%** Overhead

Your investment and support will help make the Global Observatory a reality.

# Contact us today.

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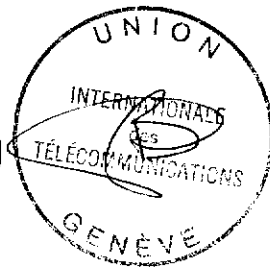


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## NORGES FASTE DELEGASJON

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Deres ref.:

Vår ref.: bahl

Dato:

13. april 2011

**Brev til Statsminister Jens Stoltenberg fra Secretary-General Dr. Hamadoun Touré, International Labour Organization (ILO) datert 25. mars 2011**

Vedlagt oversendes invitasjon til Statsministeren fra Secretary-General Dr. Hamadoun Touré, International Labour Organization (ILO) i anledning ITU Telecom World 2011, som avholdes i Geneve 24-27 oktober 2011.

Med vennlig hilsen

Berith Larsen

Sekretær

Vedlegg





The Secretary-General

Geneva, 23 March 2011

His Excellency  
Mr Jens Stoltenberg  
Prime Minister of Norway

Sir,

On behalf of the ITU, I am very honoured to invite your Excellency to ITU Telecom World 2011, which will take place from 24-27 October 2011, in Geneva, Switzerland. This event is an important landmark for ITU as it celebrates 40 years of serving the global Information and Communication Technology (ICT) community through the ITU Telecom events.

ITU Telecom World 2011 will be the essential meeting place where Heads of State, Heads of Government and Heads of UN and other international organizations can come together and hold meaningful dialogue with leaders of industry and other major ICT players, to shape the world's ICT future and share views on how to use ICTs more effectively to achieve the Millennium Development Goals and improve lives. Information on the event can be obtained from our website ([www.itu.int/world2011](http://www.itu.int/world2011)) and we will be pleased to provide further information to your Administration.

I have noted with great interest the development of ICTs in your country and the vision and strategies that you have put in place to facilitate their development. I would therefore be very pleased if you could join us at this key event and share these visions with the global ICT community. I very much hope you will accept my invitation to participate in the event.

I look forward to welcoming you to ITU Telecom World 2011 this coming October.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hamadoun I. Touré'.

Dr Hamadoun I. Touré



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Utenriksministerens sekretariat

Your ref.:

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Date:  
20 januar 2011

**Brev til Utenriksminister Jonas Gahr Støre fra Permanent Mission of Bangladesh i Genève angående valget av deres kandidat som medlem av ITU's Råd for perioden 2010-2014 som ble holdt i Guadalajara, Mexico den 11. oktober 2010.**

Vedlagt oversendes brevet samt kopi av note nr BMG/ITU-102, fra Permanent Mission of Bangladesh i Genève datert 16. desember 2010, og ankommet her den 17. januar 2011.

Med vennlig hilsen

Berith Larsen

Vedlegg

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

পররাষ্ট্র মন্ত্রি  
FOREIGN MINISTER



GOVERNMENT OF THE  
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH  
DHAKA

31 October 2010

Excellency,

I am pleased to inform you that Bangladesh has been elected to the Council of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) for the term 2010-2014 at elections held on 11 October 2010 in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Bangladesh owes this success to the valuable support extended to its candidature by friendly Governments like yours and to the strong bonds of friendship and cooperation that exist between our countries bilaterally and multilaterally.

I would like to take this opportunity to express on behalf of the Government of Bangladesh, our deep gratitude and sincere thanks to you personally and to your Government for this gesture. Bangladesh looks forward to working closely with your Government towards strengthening these mutually beneficial cooperations. During our term in office, Bangladesh will endeavour to serve the ITU community to the best of its ability.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

*With warm personal regards*

Dr. Dipu Moni MP

His Excellency  
Mr. Jonas Gahr Støre  
Minister for Foreign Affairs  
Kingdom of Norway



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The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations Offices and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of Norway in Geneva and has the honour to forward original copy of a letter from Her Excellency Dr. Dipu Moni, MP, Foreign Minister of Bangladesh addressed to His Excellency Mr. Jonas Gahr Store, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Norway conveying sincere thanks and deep gratitude of the Government of Bangladesh for the valuable support by the latter, which has contributed to the successful election of Bangladesh as Member to the Council of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) for the term 2010-2014 at elections held on 11 October 2010 in Guadalajara, Mexico.

It would be appreciated if the esteemed Permanent Mission of Norway could forward the letter to its high destination.

The Permanent Mission of Bangladesh avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Mission of Norway in Geneva the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 16 December 2010

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