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Sir/Madam,

Following my letter CL/3884 of 8 July 2009 and in accordance with Rule 12.3 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, I have the honour to inform Member States and Associate Members that, since the dispatch of the provisional agenda of the 35th session of the General Conference (35 C/1 Prov.), the following supplementary items have been proposed for inclusion:

- (a) by the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela: "Celebration of the bicentenary of the independence of the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean";
- (b) by the Director-General: "Request for the admission of the Faeroe Islands as an Associate Member of UNESCO";
- (c) by the Philippines: "Commemoration of the Galleon Trade between the Philippines and Mexico through the proclamation of a 'Día del Galeón' (Day of the Galleon)";
- (d) by the Plurinational State of Bolivia: "Special UNESCO cooperation with Bolivia in the area of Interculturalism and Plurilingualism";
- (e) by Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden: "UNESCO and the Global Action on Climate Change";
- (f) by the Russian Federation: "World Conference on Early Childhood Care and Education";
- (g) by Germany: "UNESCO's 'Man and the Biosphere' (MAB) programme and the World Network of Biosphere Reserves' contribution to sustainable development";
- (h) by the Director-General: "International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) Multicultural Library Manifesto";
- (i) by the Director-General: "Definition of regions with a view to the execution by the Organization of regional activities".

In accordance with Rule 13 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, the Executive Board will prepare the revised provisional agenda on the basis of the provisional agenda and the above supplementary list at its 182nd session, which is being held from 7 to 23 September 2009. The items resulting from the decisions taken by the Executive Board at that session will also be included in the revised provisional agenda, to be distributed with the document symbol 35 C/1 Prov. Rev., and submitted by the Chairperson of the Executive Board to the General Conference for approval as soon as possible after the opening of the session.

I should like to remind Member States and Associate Members that no new items may now be placed on the agenda of the General Conference otherwise than in accordance with the procedure provided for in Rules 15.2¹ and 42.1(c) of the Rules of Procedure.

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Director-General

¹ Rule 15.2: "New items of an important and urgent character may be added to the agenda by approval of a two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting; but such new items shall be referred to the General Committee of the Conference for its report, in accordance with Rule 42, paragraph 1(c), before the vote is taken. The discussion of any new item so added to the agenda shall, at the request of any Member State or Associate Member, be deferred for a period not exceeding seven days after its inclusion in the agenda."