The United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) presents compliments to the Permanent and Observer Missions to UN-Habitat and has the honour to inform of the upcoming briefing on the assessment of UN-Habitat by the Multilateral Organisation Performance Assessment Network (MOPAN) and to extend an invitation to the Permanent and Observer Missions to UN-Habitat who may wish to attend. The briefing is scheduled for Monday, 7 March 2016, at 2.00pm in conference Room 4 at the United Nations Office at Nairobi.

The Multilateral Organisation Performance Assessment Network (MOPAN) is a network of 17 donor countries that jointly assess the performance of multilateral organizations. Members of MOPAN use the outcomes of these assessments, inter alia, to inform strategic decision-making about their ways of engaging with the assessed organization and as an information source when undertaking individual reviews. The assessments give the organizations concerned also a useful external view on their performance and relevance.

Over the course of 2016, twelve multilateral organisations will be assessed, including UN-Habitat. The Kingdom of Norway is serving as the lead country for this assessment. In this role, Norway is representing the membership of MOPAN through the assessment by ensuring that members are duly involved and informed, by connecting the service providers who undertake the assessments with key players in the organisation and by ensuring the findings are fair, accurate and credible.

The briefing is intended for all MOPAN member countries as well as the countries in which the country operations of UN-Habitat will be assessed on the details of the upcoming MOPAN exercise as well as Permanent and Observer Missions to UN-Habitat who may wish to attend.

The agenda for the briefing is as follows:

1. A general briefing on MOPAN by Kingdom of Norway as the Member for MOPAN assessment of UN-Habitat;
2. A presentation by MOPAN’s secretariat and the service provider IOD PARC on the methodology of UN-Habitat;
3. A reflection by UN-Habitat on the relevance of this exercise for the organisation; and
4. Questions and discussions on the briefing.

Attached is the MOPAN Methodology document for information.

The United Nations Human Settlements Programme avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent and Observer Missions to UN-Habitat the assurances of its highest consideration.

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