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The United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) presents its compliments to the Permanent and Observer Missions to UN-Habitat and has the honour, on behalf of the Chair, to invite the latter to the twelfth meeting of the Subcommittee on Policy and Programme of Work of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (CPR), which will be held on Wednesday, 22 June 2016, at 9.30am in Conference Room 4 at the United Nations Office at Nairobi. The meeting will discuss the World Urban Campaign.

The World Urban Campaign (WUC) was launched at the 5th session of the World Urban Forum in 2010 as a global multi-stakeholders platform on sustainable urbanization. It has been created as a merger of the first two global campaigns established by UN-Habitat after the Habitat II Conference. The WUC is an integral part of UN-Habitat’s Work Programme and Strategic Plan.

The WUC contributes to the mobilization and engagement of Habitat Agenda Partners and new partners towards Habitat III. In that regard, the WUC partners have produced a global manifesto entitled ‘The City We Need’ through the engagement of some 7,600 participants from 113 countries and 2,254 organizations, in a series of 26 Urban Thinkers campuses coordinated by UN-Habitat. ‘The City We Need’ manifesto is available online at www.worldurbancampaign.org/resources in English, French, Spanish, Chinese languages while the Russian and Arabic versions will be available by end of June 2016.

The Agenda of the meeting will be as follows;
1. Adoption of the provisional Agenda
2. Presentation and Discussion on the World Urban Campaign
3. Any other Matters

The attached briefing document provides a background, the history of mandates, a description of the governance as well as the activities of the World Urban Campaign.

A soft copy of the document will be available on the CPR Extranet (www.unhabitat.org/cpr, username: cpr, password:cpdocs). In addition, UN-Habitat would be grateful if member States could bring their own copy in light of the Paper-smart Initiative by the United Nations General Assembly.

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

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