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Dear Ms. Clark,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I would like to thank you for your letter of 29 July 2013 sharing the Joint Statement on the post-2015 development agenda from the 30 Members of the United Nations Group on the Information Society (UNGIS). Like you, I agree on the importance of harnessing technologies to provide transformative solutions towards achieving sustainable development for all.

Your timely input reinforced the report of the Secretary-General to Member States entitled, *A Life of Dignity for All*, wherein he underscored the centrality of harnessing science, technology and innovative methods to the Post-2015 development agenda, including in areas ranging from information and communications technology to transportation, the environment and life-saving medicines.

The report of the Secretary-General was well received by Member States, who have provided clarity to the post-2015 development planning process through the outcome document of the General Assembly's Special Event on the Millennium Development Goals, held on 25 September 2013.

As you may know, the sixth session of the Member States Open Working Group (OWG) on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), scheduled for 9-13 December 2013, will consider, among other things, the role of science and technology as a means of implementation for the SDGs. The UNGIS may also wish to share the aforementioned Joint Statement with the co-Chairs, which could serve as an additional input for the OWG's deliberations.

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Once again, allow me to reiterate the Secretary-General's appreciation for the commendable efforts of UNGIS. I look forward to further engaging with UNGIS as we further our efforts in supporting Member States' deliberations on the Post-2015 development agenda.

Yours sincerely,

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