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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the [...] and has the honour to draw the attention of the Government to resolution 3/1, entitled “Review mechanism”, of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption.

Pursuant to paragraph 2 of that resolution, the Conference adopted the terms of reference of the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the Convention, in accordance with article 63, paragraph 7, of the Convention.

Further, the Conference established the Implementation Review Group as an open-ended intergovernmental group of States parties to operate under its authority and report to it (see resolution 3/1, annex 1,-section IV.C). The Implementation Review Group shall have an overview of the review process in order to identify challenges and good practices and to consider technical assistance requirements in order to ensure effective implementation of the Convention. On the basis of its deliberations, the Implementation Review Group shall submit recommendations and conclusions to the Conference for its consideration and approval. It shall furthermore be in charge of following up and continuing the work undertaken previously by the Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on Technical Assistance, taking into account the fact that, pursuant to paragraph 11 of the terms of reference, one of the goals of the Mechanism is to help States parties to identify and substantiate specific needs for technical assistance and to promote and facilitate the provision of technical assistance.

The Government is cordially invited to participate in the **third session of the Implementation Review Group**, which will be held in Vienna from **18 to 22 June 2012**.

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<http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/treaties/CAC/IRG-sessions.html>.

..... Attached is a copy of an information note for participants regarding administrative details and instructions to facilitate travel, visa, hotel and other arrangements.

It would be appreciated if the Government's response to this invitation could be sent directly to the Secretariat of the Conference of the States Parties, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, P.O. Box 500, 1400 Vienna, Austria, Fax: +43-1 26060 5841, or a scanned copy to e-mail: UNCAC.COP@unodc.org Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Information on the composition of the Government's delegation, including name(s), title(s) and contact details (e-mail address), should be provided to the Office as soon as possible and not later than **1 June 2012**.

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