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Dear Prof. Xu,

As an active member of the South-South Global Thinkers Initiative, it is my pleasure to invite you to two special events that will take place along the side-lines of the High-level Political Forum in New York- **The South-South Global Thinkers Dialogue: Reflection on BAPA+40 Outcome Document** and a **Consultation with Southern-based Think Tanks for the 2019 Human Development Report** focusing on Inequality in Human Development.

The South-South Global Thinkers Dialogue: Reflection on BAPA+40 Outcome Document will be co-hosted by the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). The event will bring together Southern think tanks to discuss their reflection on the BAPA+40 outcome document and propose research ideas and knowledge initiatives that would be important for Southern Countries and development partners. This event will take place on 17 July 2019, 2:00-4:00 pm at UN HQ in New York, USA.

The second event, the Consultation with Southern-based Think Tanks for the 2019 Human Development Report will be co-hosted by the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) and the Human Development Report Office (HDRO) which aims to gather the perspectives and experiences from Southern-based think tanks relating to inequality that will feed into the formulation of the 2019 Human Development Report. The consultation will take place on 18 July 2019, 3:00pm-6:00pm, at UN HQ in New York, USA.

It would be a great honour to have you attend these two special events to share your expertise and views. Please find the enclosed tentative agenda for your kind reference. All related costs of your participation from 16-18 July 2019 will be covered by UNOSSC.

Looking forward to your positive response and attendance at these important events.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jorge Chediek".

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