1 June, 2014

Ambassadors Csaba Kőrösi and Macharia Kamau
Co-chairs,
United Nations Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals,
New York

Dear Ambassadors Kamau and Kőrösi,

**Support for a standalone Sustainable Development Goal on Sustainable Cities and Human Settlements**

As the Chair for the 5th World Cities Summit Mayors Forum and on behalf of the 112 participant cities and territories, we would like to express our collective support for a standalone Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) focused on Sustainable Cities and Human Settlements.

We commend your admirable leadership to include “Sustainable Cities and Human Settlements” as a focus area in the United Nations Open Working Group’s discussions. We understand there is still much to be done toward the adoption of an SDG on Sustainable Cities and Human Settlements. As city leaders, we firmly believe that this SDG is vital in ensuring the sustainable future of our planet and our future generations.

Cities play a central role not only for the growth of our nations, but also in its ability to achieve sustainable development. They, however, often struggle to accommodate the needs and demands of an exponentially increasing population and address the multi-dimensional challenges that result. Ineffective urban development has serious consequences and is difficult to unravel. We believe that cities need to have integrated master planning and good governance, to develop a competitive economy, and achieve high quality of life and sustainable environment for its residents.

An SDG on Sustainable Cities and Human Settlements will be an effective force in rectifying this. It will focus the attention and resources of national agencies, local governments, the private sector and civil society on the urgent need for integrated and innovative solutions to infrastructure provision, service delivery, poverty-eradication, social inclusion and creation of good jobs. It will support national governments to align national policies on urban issues, and provide local governments with a framework and resources to take decisive action to undertake proper planning to implement targets. It will also rally city residents, universities, businesses, charities and foundations toward the common goal of creating sustainable cities for human betterment.

In conclusion, we cannot achieve global sustainable development without sustainable cities and human settlements. Therefore it is my honour to represent the 112 participating cities to proclaim our support for an SDG on sustainable cities and human settlements, at the World Cities Summit (WCS) Mayors Forum in Singapore today. We call on the Open Working Group to note our conviction that the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals would be incomplete without a stand-alone SDG on sustainable cities and human settlements.

Sincerely,

Lee Yi Shyan
Senior Minister of State for National Development and Trade and Industry, Singapore
Chair, World Cities Summit Mayors Forum

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1 The WCS Mayors Forum is an annual gathering of mayors to discuss pressing urban issues and share best practice to develop integrated urban solutions. The 2014 edition is the largest gathering of international mayors of its kind.
Head of Delegation Participants of the
World Cities Summit Mayors Forum
1 June 2014, Singapore

Africa

1. Abdelkader Zoukh, Governor of Algiers, Algeria
2. Temmar Abdelatif, Mayor of Zeralda, Algeria
3. Manuel de Araujo, Mayor of Quelimane, Mozambique
4. Patricia de Lille, Executive Mayor of Cape Town, South Africa

Asia

5. Kinlay Dorjee, Thrompon (Mayor) of Thimpu, Bhutan
6. Haji Ali bin Matyassin, Chairman of Tutong Municipal, Brunei
7. Haji Affendy bin Pehin Orang Kaya Saiful Mulok Dato Seri Paduka Haji Abidin, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Brunei
8. Gou Zhengli, Vice Mayor of Chengdu, China
9. Tang Guocai, Deputy Director General of Guangzhou Municipal Government, China
10. Zhou Naixiang, Mayor of Suzhou, China
11. Xu Datong, Chairman of Tianjin Eco-city Administrative Committee, China
12. Pan Ming, Vice Mayor of Zhuhai, China
13. Thiru Saidai S Duraisamy, Mayor of Chennai, India
14. Ridwan Kamil, Mayor of Bandung, Indonesia
15. H. Ahmad Dahlan, Mayor of Batam, Indonesia

16. Mohammad Henri, Assistant to Bintan Regent, Bintan, Indonesia
17. Sutanto Soehodho, Deputy Governor of Jakarta, Indonesia
18. Syarif Fasha, Mayor of Jambi, Indonesia
19. Mohammad Ramdhan Pomanto, Mayor of Makassar, Indonesia
20. Dzulmi Eldin, Mayor of Medan, Indonesia
21. Gatot Pujo Nugroho, Governor of North Sumatra, Indonesia
22. Rusdy Mastura, Mayor of Palu, Indonesia
23. Arief Wismansyah, Mayor of Tangerang, Indonesia
24. Taichiro Nishikawa, Mayor of Arawaka, Japan
25. Hajime Furuta, Governor of Gifu Prefecture, Japan
26. Kenji Asano, Mayor of Kakamigahara City, Japan
27. Yamazaki Takaaki, Mayor of Koto City, Japan
28. Tadafumi Inoue, Vice Mayor of Sapporo, Japan
29. Masanori Furukawa, Mayor of Tajimi City, Japan
30. Joseph Runzo-Inada, Policy Advisor for Toyama City, Japan
31. Kazumi Kobayashi, Director General of Policy Bureau, Yokohama, Japan
32. Saythong Keodouangdy, Vice Governor of Vientiane Capital, Lao
33. Saisamone Khomthavong, Vice Provincial Governor of Luang Prabang Province, Lao
34. Aseh bin Haji Che Mat, President of Federal Territory of Putrajaya, Malaysia
35. Ismail Ibrahim, Chief Executive, Iskandar Regional Development Authority, Malaysia
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75. **Jose Luis Sabas**, Deputy Mayor of Bilbao, Spain
76. **Julio Andrade**, Deputy Mayor of Málaga, Spain

**Latin America**

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79. **Elsa Noguera de la Espriella**, Mayor of Barranquilla, Colombia
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81. **Carlos Jose Granadillo Vasquez**, Deputy Mayor of Cartagena, Colombia
82. **José Francisco Olvera Ruiz**, Governor of Hidalgo, Mexico
83. **Ian Paul Otero**, Director General of Economic and Tourism Promotion, Zapopan, Mexico

**Middle East**

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85. **Akel Biltaji**, Mayor of Amman, Jordan
86. **Fawaz Irshaidat**, Governor of Aqaba, Jordan
87. **Kamel Mahadin**, Chief Commissioner of Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority, Jordan
88. **Nader Ghazal**, Mayor of Tripoli, Lebanon
89. **Salim bin Ufait al-Shanfri**, Chairman of Dhofar, Oman
90. **Mohsen Bin Mohammed Bin Ali Al Shaik**, Chairman of Muscat Municipality, Oman
91. **Jassim bin Abdullah Al Malki**, Deputy Chairman of Central Municipal Council (CMC), Qatar
92. **Adel Almulhem**, Mayor of Al Hasa, Saudi Arabia
93. **Saleh Al Qarni**, Mayor of Dhafran, Saudi Arabia
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96. **Ibrahim Mubarak Aldjain**, Deputy Mayor of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
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98. **Hussain Nasser Lootah**, Director-General of Dubai Municipality, United Arab Emirates

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109. Sally Betts,  
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110. Toni Zeltzer,  
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111. Len Brown,  
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112. Celia Wade-Brown,  
Mayor of Wellington, New Zealand