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To designated IPCC Focal Points and  
Ministries for Foreign Affairs  
(if no focal point has been designated)

Geneva, 5 February 2008

Sir/Madam,

I am writing on behalf of the Chairman of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) to advise that the Twenty-Eighth Session of the IPCC is scheduled to take place at the Novotel Budapest Congress / Budapest Congress and World Trade Centre, Alkotás utca 63-67, 1123 Budapest, Hungary, on 9-10 April 2008.

The Twenty-Eighth Session of the IPCC is scheduled to begin at 10:00 hours on Wednesday, 9 April 2008. The focus of this meeting will be on the Future of the IPCC, including key aspects of the future IPCC work programme and the future structure of the IPCC Bureau and the TFB. The Panel is also invited to consider of the outcome of the Scoping Meeting for a possible Special Report on renewable energy and a proposal for the use of the Funds from the Nobel Peace Prize. The Chair will also inform the Panel about action taken by the 37<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPCC Bureau (Budapest, 7-8 April 2008) concerning the finalization of the Technical Paper on Climate Change and Water.

It is with great pleasure that I extend the invitation to participate in the Session, through you, to your Government. I should be grateful if you designate the representative(s) of your Government to the Session and communicate the name(s), affiliation(s), address(es) and phone/fax/e-mail address to me at the IPCC Secretariat, World Meteorological Organization, P.O. Box 2300, 7bis Avenue de la Paix, CH-1211 Geneva 2, Switzerland (fax: +41 22 730 8025/8013) by **5 March 2008**. Unfortunately nominations by e-mail cannot be accepted. As an intergovernmental organization we must have your nomination(s) sent by letter or fax on official letterhead. In addition, to facilitate pre-registration and visa arrangements, each participant is kindly requested to complete the attached registration form. As you may have noted, the participation of delegates with appropriate expertise is vital for the success of the Session.

Limited financial support is available from the IPCC Trust Fund to representatives from the developing countries and countries with economies in transition, one per country. Nominations for financial support should reach me no later than **25 February 2008**. I request that this deadline be strictly adhered to because of the time required for the logistics of delivering the support.

Simultaneous interpretation in the official UN languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) will be provided during the session. All documentation will be in English only. Copies of the following documents are attached to this letter:

- The provisional agenda of the Twenty-Eighth Session of the IPCC (IPCC-XXVIII/Doc. 1);
- A pre-registration form.

Other documentation will be posted on the IPCC website [www.ipcc.ch](http://www.ipcc.ch) on a page established for the session. Posting of new documents will be notified on [www.ipcc.ch](http://www.ipcc.ch). If you wish to receive hard copies of documents by mail, please inform us in advance. Information about hotels and visa requirements will also be made available on the IPCC website. In this context I want to draw your attention to the respective deadlines for booking hotel rooms at a preferential rate and the possibility to book your lunch at the conference venue in advance.

Copies of this letter are being sent to the Ministries for Foreign Affairs, IPCC Contact Point(s), the Permanent Representative with WMO and Focal Point(s) of UNEP of your country for information.

Yours sincerely,



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Secretary of the IPCC