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Letter dated 12 December 2007 from the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Assistance and Support to Victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse to the President of the General Assembly

I am writing to you in my capacity as Chair of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group mandated with the task of considering the draft United Nations policy statement and draft United Nations Comprehensive Strategy on Assistance and Support to Victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse by United Nations Staff and Related Personnel.

As you are aware, the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group approved, on 7 December 2007, its draft report containing the United Nations Comprehensive Strategy on Assistance and Support to Victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse by United Nations Staff and Related Personnel (A/AC.274/2007/L.4).

The Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group also made a decision to recommend adoption of the draft strategy by the General Assembly directly under agenda item 116 during the main part of its current session (see paras. 13 and 14 of the draft report).

In view of the very tight scheduling that will be required to enable the adoption of the draft strategy by the General Assembly during the main part of this session, I have the honour to request that the report of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group be moved for consideration under agenda item 116 of the sixty-second session of the Assembly, entitled "Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit", to ensure that the draft strategy is adopted in a timely manner.

(Signed) Jorge **Urbina Ortega** Chairman, Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Assistance and Support to Victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse

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