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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the [[[FunctionalTitle2]]] and has the honour to draw the attention of the Government to the recommendations of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on the Prevention of Corruption, established by the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption in its resolution 3/2 entitled “Preventive Measures”.

At its first meeting held in Vienna from 13 to 15 December 2010, the Working Group recommended that each of its future meetings focus on a specific and manageable number of substantive topics taken from chapter II of the Convention (CAC/COSP/WG.4/2010/7, paragraph 4 (a)). Accordingly, the Working Group recommended that its next meeting, to be held in Vienna from 22 to 24 August 2011, focus on the following topics:

- (a) Awareness-raising policies and practices, with special reference to articles 5, 7, 12 and 13 of the Convention;
- (b) The public sector and prevention of corruption: codes of conduct (article 8 of the Convention) and public reporting (article 10 of the Convention).

The Working Group encouraged States parties to share their initiatives and good practices in the area of prevention of corruption, particularly those practices relevant to specific topics to be addressed at its future meetings (see paragraphs (a) and (b) above), and to communicate such initiatives and good practices to the Secretariat.

The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime therefore seeks the cooperation of all States parties and Signatories to the Convention against Corruption in providing pertinent information on their relevant initiatives and practices to the Secretariat.

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In line with the Working Group's recommendations, the Secretariat's information-gathering activities related to chapter II of the Convention should concentrate on good practices and initiatives of States parties and the priority in gathering such information should be to facilitate discussion on specific topics as they are addressed at the meetings of the Working Group in a way that best assists States parties in implementing effectively those articles of the Convention relating to the prevention of corruption.

The Secretary-General would be grateful if the Government would send any pertinent information to the Secretary of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption, Corruption and Economic Crime Branch, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, Vienna International Centre, P.O. Box 500, 1400 Vienna, Austria, Fax: +43 1 26060 6711 or to e-mail: UNCAC.COP@unodc.org, at its earliest convenience, **but not later than 30 April 2011**.

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