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> Hon. Teresa Leal Coelho Chair of the Committee on Budget, Finance and Administrative Modernisation Assembly of the Republic Portugal

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Invitation - Global Parliamentary Conference (GPC), Washington D.C., 17-18 April 2017

Dear Honorable Chair,

It is my honour and pleasure to extend to you an invitation for the Global Parliamentary Conference of the Parliamentary Network on the World Bank & International Monetary Fund (IMF), organised jointly with the World Bank Group and IMF from 17-18 April 2017 in Washington D.C.

The Global Conference is the Parliamentary Network's flagship event, bringing together some 200 members of parliament from World Bank and IMF member countries, partner parliamentary organizations, as well as the leadership from the World Bank and IMF.

As a member of the Parliamentary Network delegation, we will also register you to attend the 2017 Spring Meetings of the IMF and the World Bank Group - pending the approval of your country Executive Director.

This year's agenda focuses on: (i) Fostering economic growth through job creation; (ii) Developing strong climate and energy policies; (iii) Tackling corruption and improving governance; (iv) Investing in human capital with a focus on early childhood development; (v) Dealing with the economic and social pressures brought on by migration; (vi) Facilitating skills development and social integration.

We hope that you will be able to attend the conference in person, accompanied by one of your colleagues with an expertise in development economics. If you cannot attend the Conference, we would be happy to welcome two appointed representatives. Note that we can host up to 3 representatives per country. The official languages of the conference will be English and French.

I invite you (and your colleagues) to complete the online registration form by clicking on the following website:

https://gpc.eventsmart.com/

The deadline for completed registration is 24 MARCH 2017 at the latest. Registration to the 2017 GPC is not guaranteed after this time. Kindly note that accommodation and travel is the responsibility of the participant.

I look forward to what is sure to be an engaging two days of discussion, debate and learning. We hope to see you and your fellow MPs in Washington D.C.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Lefroy, MP

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