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Mr. William Cobbett Director Cities Alliance 1818 H Street, NW 20433 Washington, DC United States

Subject: Results of the United Cities and Local Governments Pan-African Electoral Assembly, Abuja, Nigeria, 5-6 March 2010

Dear Director, Dear Billy,

I have been mandated by the UCLG Executive Bureau to write and inform you that on 5-6 March 2010, the United Cities and Local Governments Pan-African Electoral Assembly elected a new leadership for the African continent in Abuja, Nigeria.

Delegates from 31 African countries attended the Assembly that was called by our World Organization. A Global Advisory Group (comprised of Councillor Richard Kemp from the UK Local Government Association and Charles Josselin, President of United Cities France) was appointed by the UCLG Executive Bureau to verify the representation capacity and voting credentials of delegates. The Electoral Assembly was hosted by the Association of Local Governments of Nigeria and featured the participation of former president of Ghana, Mr. Jerry John Rawlings, as well as representatives of the Governments of Nigeria and Uganda, and of Cities Alliance and UN Habitat.

The Electoral Assembly resulted in 30 representatives to the Pan-African Council of United Cities and Local Governments of Africa (UCLGA) being elected.

Of those elected, 13 were elected as members of the Executive Committee and 5 were elected Vice-Presidents of UCLGA. Enclosed you will find the list of elected members on the UCLGA bodies.

The Assembly further elected by consensus Mr. Tarayia Kores, in his capacity as President of the Association of Local Governments Authorities of Kenya (ALGAK), as the new President of UCLGA.

The newly elected UCLGA leadership confirmed that the headquarters of the UCLGA are established in the City of Rabat, Morocco, and Mr Jean Pierre Elong Mbassi from Cameroon as the UCLGA Secretary General.

The decisions of this Abuja Electoral Assembly were further endorsed by the Executive Bureau of the World Organization of UCLG meeting in Chicago, USA, on 26 April 2010.

Following these elections and from now on, the world organization of United Cities and Local Government (UCLG) recognizes only one United Cities and Local Governments of Africa that is based in Rabat, Morocco.

We would be grateful if your institution would address any further communications to UCLGA to the following address:

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The World Organization of United Cities and Local Governments and its African Section look forward to continuing working with you towards efficient local governments at the service of African citizens.

Yours sincerely,

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