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Ghana Center for Democratic Development

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The Commandant Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Center Teshie Accra.

Dear Sir,

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A ROUNDATABLE DISCUSSION ON "ETHNIC POWER RELATIONS AND CONFLICT: LESSONS FROM AROUND THE WORLD"

On behalf of the Ghana Center for Democratic Development (CDD-Ghana), ETH Zurich and University of Geneva, I am pleased to invite you or your representative to a roundtable discussion (RTD) on the topic *"Ethnic Power Relations and Conflict: Lessons from around the World"*. The discussion will be led by Dr. Manual Vogt, CDD-Ghana's research partner from ETH Zurich, International Conflict Research based in Switzerland. The event will take place on **Thursday July 23, 2015 at the CDD-Ghana Conference room, North Airport Residential Area, Accra. The time is 2pm.**

The discussion sets the tone for a research project in Ghana, which forms part of an international research agenda being conducted in Egypt, Guatemala, India and Zambia to understand the dynamics of political inclusion and exclusion. The research agenda focuses on the link between group-level political inequality and ethnic conflict in fragile states. The primary objective of the study is to improve governance by reducing exclusion and discrimination of ethnic groups and to mitigate the adverse consequences of such policies, especially with respect to conflict and political instability (*Please see attached the research project fact sheet*).

As a major stakeholder in this area of interest, CDD-Ghana is pleased to invite you or a representative from your outfit to participate in the discussion and share your thoughts on the subject.

For further information and enquiries, please contact Mr. P. N. K. Aborampah Mensah through the telephone numbers (0302) 784293/776142; 0244 185085 Fax 763029/8, or e-mail to: <u>k.aborampah@cddgh.org</u>.

Thank you for your usual cooperation and we look forward to your participation at the workshop.

Yours faithfully

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