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Global Forum on Law, Justice and Development Secretariat  
c/o The World Bank  
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Dear Sir,

I am pleased to confirm that the Supreme Federal Court of Brazil and the National Council of Justice endorses the Joint Declaration and Statement of Commitment on Supporting the Global Forum on Law, Justice and Development as set forth in Addendum I. and the Global Forum Concept as set forth in Addendum II. With this endorsement, we express our intent to advance those principles and commitments. We endeavour to promote the Joint Declaration and Statement of Commitment into our activities.

STF is considering making the following contributions to support the Global Forum on Law, Justice and Development:

In-kind contributions in the form of:
- Sharing knowledge by contributions to the information communication technology platform with existing knowledge products (e.g. studies, databases, training material etc.)
- Mobilizing its own staff for the pursuit of the objectives of this Memorandum;
- Promoting expert meetings, workshops, and/or open training to jointly build technical capacity and strengthen the understanding of global, regional and country legal issues;
• Providing facilities for workshops, conferences or training seminars;
• Providing translations of relevant documents into their native language for wider dissemination in their respective countries;
• Providing updates in specific area of national legislation.
• Engaging and funding studies/researches and publications;
• Increasing the cooperation on global, regional and countries issues, *in concerti* with other interested parties, by developing a shared understanding of key legal development challenges and promoting complementarily studies and knowledge products;
• Providing support to relevant stakeholders; and
• Such other means as the STF may agree.

We anticipate having a significant involvement in the undertaking of collaborative initiatives, in particular, in the following substantive areas:

Global issues:
• Exchange among judiciaries: breaching the justice gap;
• Measuring the rule of law: developing useful and impartial indicators of Justice, rule of law and governance in development;
• Criminal justice and development;
• Gender and development;
• International legal system: rebuilding the international legal architecture;
• Responding to the global financial crisis through domestic and international legal and regulatory reform;
• Climate change, development agenda and international law;
• Financial sector regulation in MICs after the crisis;
• Intellectual property and development;
• Law of land and involuntary resettlement;
• Dealing with fraud and corruption in international development projects;
• Governance and anti-corruption.
• Consumer law

Institutional issues:
• Access to information: openness and accountability;
• Methods and tools for quality impact evaluation in justice sector;
• Natural resources management and dispute resolution;
Rebuilding legal and justice in fragile and conflict affected states: methodologies and best practices;

- International responses to emergencies and crises: legal and policy instruments of international financial institutions.

We have designated an Administrative Focal Point below with general responsibility for implementing the activities pursuant herewith.

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Sincerely yours,

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