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Dear Friends of the Forum,

On 15 September, you received the “Practical Information for Participants in the 3d Global Forum on Migration and Development Government Meeting (Athens 4-5 November 2009).

This document states that “the composition of Government delegations is, in principle, limited to 3 (three) persons. If, however, a delegation is headed by a (Deputy) Minister, it can be extended to 4 (four) delegates” (page 1).

During the discussion at the Friends of the Forum meeting, several countries requested that larger delegations be allowed.

Upon careful consideration, the Chair is pleased to inform you as follows:

If participating countries wish to register a larger delegation, they can do so up to a maximum of 5 (five) delegates.

However, because of organizational constraints, the following rules will apply:

1. All members of the delegation will receive a nominative badge (country and name) that will enable them to have access to the venue and attend the opening and closing plenary sessions of the Athens GFMD 2009.
2. Each delegation will receive 3 (three) badges that will enable them to have access to the Roundtable sessions. Delegations will determine themselves how to distribute these badges among their members. Please note that, for logistical purposes, delegations still have to indicate their session preferences upon registration.
3. Additionally, all Ambassadors accredited to Greece, will receive a nominative badge (country and name) that will enable them to have access to the venue and attend the opening and closing plenary sessions of the Athens GFMD 2009, upon request. Requests have to be made by email at: [registrations@gfmdathens2009.org](mailto:registrations@gfmdathens2009.org) or fax at: 0030-213-214-2439
4. Panelists (i.e. co-chair, rapporteur, general rapporteur, speaker or note-taker) from a particular country will count as being a member of that country's delegation within the quota of 5 (five) and will receive a nominative badge. The GFMD office will contact them directly by email to (a) give them instructions on registration and (b) arrange their travel and accommodation only if financial assistance is applicable. Please note that the Chair will cover travel and accommodation expenses of panelists coming from countries of the entire DAC list of ODA and/or from the list of Belgian Development Cooperation Partner countries, and that travel arrangements have to be made by the GFMD office directly (no reimbursement of tickets purchased by panelists themselves will be possible).

**Please be advised that the registration deadline is now 12 October 2009.**

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