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Sir/Madam,

**Subject: Candidatures for the 44th session of the Advanced Training Programme
in Educational Planning and Management
(1 September 2008 – 30 June 2009)**

Having announced to the relevant ministerial authorities in your country that the UNESCO International Institute for Educational Planning (IIEP) is now inviting candidatures for its next Advanced Training Programme in Educational Planning and Management, I have pleasure in enclosing, for your information, copies of the *Official Announcement, Application Form* and the *Note on Fellowships*, together with the *Financial Appendix*. I wish to draw your attention to the fact that the Advanced Training Programme is now established as a professional programme at the Master's level.

I should particularly appreciate your assistance in bringing the training programme to the attention of the appropriate agencies and institutions in your country in order to encourage qualified candidates to apply. All applications are thoroughly examined and carefully selected. As the Institute can accommodate no more than 30-35 participants each year, applications will be limited to four per country. In order to increase the access of women to this programme, **we strongly encourage Member States to propose applications from female candidates**. For the next session of the training programme, applications and their supporting documents should reach the IIEP no later than the 3rd of March 2008.

In order to take into account the fact that educational planning involves organizations other than Ministries of Education, it seems necessary to broaden the circles of recruitment to other specialized institutions from other ministries. Therefore, I should be most grateful if you would also transmit the enclosed *Application Form* and *Official Announcement* to Ministries of Technical and Vocational Education and Professional Training, Ministries of Social Affairs, and other ministries or institutions concerned with the training of educational planners and managers.

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The Secretaries-General
National Commissions for UNESCO

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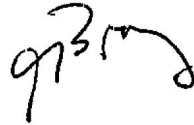
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I should like to add that any help you can provide, with regard to identifying funding sources for fellowships to support the travel costs and living expenses of selected candidates, would be most valuable. Thank you again for your collaboration.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Bray', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark Bray
Director

Encl.: Copy of the official letter sent to the Ministries
3 copies of the *Official Announcement*
3 copies of the *Application Form*
3 copies of the *Financial Appendix*
3 copies of the *Note on Fellowships*