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Review and appraisal of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons

Note verbale dated 7 July from the Permanent Mission of the Philippines to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to the United Nations, on behalf of the sponsors of General Assembly resolution 62/127, presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to draw the attention of the General Committee to paragraph 14 of resolution 62/127, entitled "Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: realizing the Millennium Development Goals for persons with disabilities", which states:

"*Decides* that the fifth review and appraisal of the World Programme of Action, to be conducted by the General Assembly in 2008, shall direct special attention to the issues raised in the present resolution".

In order to carry out this directive, the Philippines proposes, pursuant to rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the inclusion in the provisional agenda of the sixty-third session, under the item entitled "Social development", of a sub-item entitled "Review and appraisal of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons".

Furthermore, the Philippines would like to request that this proposal be circulated to all delegations for their information.

