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Madam President,  
Mr. President,

The Inter-Parliamentary Union, in cooperation with the Association of Secretaries General of Parliaments (ASGP) is organizing a Conference on **“Evaluating Parliament: objectives, methods, results and impact”** in Geneva (Switzerland) on **Thursday, 22 October 2009**.

Drawing on tools developed by the IPU, the ASGP and other organizations, this one-day conference will provide a forum for discussion of different approaches to the evaluation of parliament, sharing of lessons learned and understanding the potential results and impact of evaluation. The conference is targeted at parliamentarians, Secretaries General and staff involved in the future directions of parliament. By the end of the day, it is intended that each participant will be equipped with new tools to make a more effective contribution to the evaluation and development of their parliament.

Between 100 and 150 participants are expected to attend the conference. Interpretation will be provided in English, French, Spanish and Arabic. The provisional agenda for the Conference is enclosed, as well as a registration form and a background document. All documents are also posted on the IPU web site: <http://www.ipu.org/splz-e/asgp09.htm>.

I very much hope that your parliament will participate in this event and look forward to receiving the names of your delegates in due course.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anders B. Johnsson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Anders B. Johnsson  
Secretary General