Dear members,

On 18 June 2009, Patrick Jarry, mayor of Nanterre (France) and co-president of the committee “Peripheral cities”, Pedro Castro, mayor of Getafe (Spain), president of the Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces (FEMP) and vice president of the committee “Peripheral cities”, accompanied by Sarah Hernandez and Gerard Perreau Bezouille, respectively 1st deputy mayor of Getafe and Nanterre, presented during a press conference the ambition of the 2nd world Forum of Peripheral Local Authorities (FPLA), held in June 2010 in GETAFE: to collectively prepare and adopt a ‘declaration for interdependent metropolises’, based on local challenges and experiences.

This document will be presented to the 3rd UCLG congress in September 2010.

To join the 2nd FPLA

More than 100 peripheral local authorities from 16 countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Spain, France, Italy, Mexico, Mozambique, Palestine, Peru, Portugal, Slovakia, Uruguay, and Venezuela) launched a call to join the preparation process of the 2nd FPLA. They address metropolitan local authorities (peripheral or central), local authorities networks, UCLG committees and regional sections, researchers in individual and collective way, citizens networks.

Among the partners already active: the Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces (FEMP), the Federation of Catalan Municipalities, the Association of Mayors of French Peripheral Towns (AMVBF), the UCLG Committee on social inclusion and participative democracy, the Spanish network of Participative Budgets...
Pedro Castro announced the support of the Spanish Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

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**A Web site to exchange and build together the 2nd FPLA**
Several decentralized meetings for the preparation of the 2nd FPLA have already been held (France, Spain, Brazil), some others are under preparation (Italy, Brazil, Peru, France, Spain). These meetings are contributing to define the issues of debates. An interactive Web site [http://falp.getafe.es](http://falp.getafe.es) is now on line, in order to allow the information exchange and sharing of experiences; putting on line individual and collective contributions will help build together the program and the world declaration.
You can see there the video of the press conference, the call to the 2nd FPLA, the list of local authorities committed in the process.
At the end of the autumn 2009 a meeting of the Committee “Peripheral Cities” will take place in GETAFE, in order to finalize the program.

Sincerely Yours

**The UCLG World Secretariat,**
on behalf of the Committee ‘Peripheral Cities’