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**SIXTH SESSION OF THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW WORKING GROUP
(ROOM XX, PALAIS DES NATIONS-GENEVA, 30 NOVEMBER-11 DECEMBER 2009)**

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council presents its compliments to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, United Nations entities, specialized agencies and related organizations, intergovernmental and ECOSOC non-governmental organizations and national human rights institutions, and has the honour to inform them that the sixth session of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) will be convened from 30 November to 11 December 2009 in room XX at Palais des Nations in Geneva.

The Secretariat wishes to indicate that the first meeting of the Working Group on Monday 30 November will begin at 10:00 a.m. sharp and therefore invites all participants to be present in the room on time (see attached timetable).

In order to facilitate the work of the Secretariat and of the interpreters, the Secretariat would be grateful if delegations could provide it with their written statements in advance (if available, electronic version to be sent to UPRStates@ohchr.org).

The Secretariat wishes to remind Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, United Nations entities, specialized agencies and related organizations, intergovernmental and ECOSOC non-governmental organizations and national human rights institutions of the following rules and practices regarding accreditation and the issuance of badges for delegates they wish to designate to attend the UPR session:

- (a) Requests for accreditation should be sent to the Secretariat of the Human Rights Council to the following address upraccreditation@ohchr.org or fax number +41 (0)22 917 90 11 (during the session, **Fax: +41 (0)22 917 04 94**);
- (b) Representatives in possession of an identification badge issued by the Security and Safety Section of the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG) or United Nations Headquarters in New York (UNHQ) will have access to conference rooms. However, they should announce themselves to the Secretariat through a correspondence addressed to the Secretariat of the Human Rights Council (see above);
- (c) Representatives without a UNOG or UNHQ identification badge should apply in person at the "Pregny Gate" security entrance (Palais des Nations, Avenue de la Paix 8-14); upon presentation of identification and a copy of the request for accreditation, a photo-badge valid for the session will be issued. However, a simplified procedure will be implemented for Heads of delegations who could be provided with badges without picture. Those badges could be collected in advance if a specific request is addressed in that regard as soon as possible;
- (d) The accreditation office at the "Pregny Gate" for the UPR session is open from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. from Monday to Friday.

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council avails itself of this opportunity to renew to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, United Nations entities, specialized agencies and related organizations, intergovernmental and ECOSOC non-governmental organizations and national human rights institutions the assurance of its highest consideration.

29 October 2009

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