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*Subject: Tenth session of the Human Rights Council (Geneva, 2-27 March 2009)*

The secretariat of the Human Rights Council presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, United Nations entities, specialized agencies and related organizations, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and national human rights institutions, and has the honour to inform that the opening meeting of the tenth session of the Council will be convened on Monday, 2 March 2009 at 10.00 a.m. in Human Rights and Alliance of Civilizations Chamber (Room XX) of the Palais des Nations and will be followed by the High-level segment. The session will continue in the same room through 27 March 2009. Delegates are invited to be present in Room XX, for the opening of the session, at least 30 minutes before the meeting starts.

The secretariat wishes to remind Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, United Nations entities, specialized agencies and related organizations, intergovernmental and 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 tenth session of the Council:

(a) Requests for accreditation should be sent to the secretariat of the Human Rights Council, to the attention of Ms. Françoise Kenfack (mailing address: Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, PW 4-092, Palais des Nations, Avenue de la Paix 8-14, CH-1211 Geneva 10; telephone: +41 (0)22 917 96 41; fax: +41 (0)22 917 90 11) as soon as possible;

(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 unrestricted access to conference rooms. However, they should announce themselves to the secretariat through a correspondence addressed to Ms. Kenfack (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;

(d) The accreditation office at the "Pregny Gate" for the tenth session of the Human Rights Council will be open from 8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. from Monday to Friday and exceptionally on Monday, 2 March from 7.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

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

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