Subject: Human Rights Council (2nd session)  
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The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office in Geneva, the United Nations departments and bodies, specialized agencies, intergovernmental and other organizations and has the honour to inform that the second session of the Human Rights Council will be convened on Monday, 18 September 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room XVIII of the Palais des Nations.

The Secretariat also wishes to remind the Permanent Missions, the United Nations departments and bodies, specialized agencies, intergovernmental and other organizations of the rules and practices regarding the accreditation and the issuance of badges for the delegates they wish to designate to attend the second session of the Council:

1. Requests for accreditation should be sent to the Secretariat of the Council, for the attention of Ms. Kate Hardie (Mailing address: Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Room PW1-036, Palais des Nations, 8-14 avenue de la Paix, CH-1211 Geneva 10; Tel.: +41 (0)22 917 92 56; Fax: +41 (0)22 917 90 11) at short notice.

2. Representatives in possession of an identity badge issued by the Security and Safety Section of the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG) or the United Nations Organization in New York (UNO), will have unrestricted access to the conference rooms. However, they should announce themselves to the Secretariat through a correspondence addressed to Ms. Hardie (see above).

3. Representatives without a UNOG or UNO identity badge should apply in person to the security entrance at “Pregny Gate” (Palais des Nations, 8-14 avenue de la Paix); on presentation of an identity document and a copy of the request for accreditation, a photo-badge valid for the Council’s session will be issued.

4. The accreditation office of the Council at “Pregny Gate” will be open from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 to 5 p.m. from Monday to Friday.

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office in Geneva, the United Nations departments and bodies, specialized agencies, intergovernmental and other organizations the assurances of its highest consideration.

[Signature] 7 September 2006