Dear Representatives of Indigenous Peoples,

We wish to thank Indigenous Peoples representatives and institutions for their participation in the informal consultation on Wednesday, April 17, 2024. This meeting provided an opportunity for Member States and Indigenous Peoples to express their views on the renewed discussion on measures to enhance the participation of Indigenous Peoples' representatives and institutions in relevant United Nations meetings on issues affecting them.

We would like to inform you of the upcoming meetings related to this process.

We invite Indigenous Peoples representatives and institutions to an informal virtual meeting on Tuesday, June 11, from 12:00pm-3:00pm EST. Please register at the following link by 7 June 2024 to be approved for entry into the virtual meeting room:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUlcO2oqjMpHNKQ1U2y hBKsuzL-SaOVsUd.

For the purposes of participant registration, the Secretariat will accredit those already accredited to the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

Interpretation in English, Spanish and French will be provided thanks to the Indigenous Peoples' Center for Documentation, Research and Information (DOCIP).

You will find enclosed a discussion paper that we hope can serve as a basis for the meeting. This paper details the history of the topic and our mandate, builds upon the work of our predecessors and considers developments in both New York and Geneva over the past years. It also includes guiding questions to assist Member States and Indigenous Peoples in preparing their interventions and proposals for enhancing the participation of Indigenous Peoples in relevant United Nations meetings on issues affecting them.

We will also hold an in-person joint consultation with Member States and Indigenous Peoples in New York on June 19, from 3:00-6:00pm in Conference Room 11. Information on registration procedures will be posted shortly at www.un.org/indigenous.

For additional details or any inquiries, Indigenous Peoples' representatives and institutions may contact our experts Ms. Cassandra Morin from the Permanent Mission of Canada (cassandra.morin@international.gc.ca) and Mr. Eder Rojas from the Permanent Mission of Peru (erojas@unperu.org).

We look forward to engaging with you on this important subject and appreciate your continued support.

Please accept the assurances of our highest consideration.

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