Subject: Call for applications for special procedures mandate holders and EMRIP experts to be appointed at the 25th session of the Human Rights Council

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council presents its compliments to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, international organizations or their offices, national institutions, non-governmental organizations, and other human rights bodies, and has the honour to inform them that the following fourteen special procedures mandate holders and two members of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples are to be appointed at the twenty-fifth session of the Human Rights Council (scheduled to take place from 3 to 28 March 2014):

1. Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (expert from the Group of Asia-Pacific States)
2. Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (expert from the Group of Western European and Other States)
3. Independent Expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights
4. Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights
5. Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Somalia
6. Special Rapporteur on adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living and the right to non-discrimination in that context
7. Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and consequences
8. Special Rapporteur on the right to food
9. Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography
10. Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples
11. Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar
12. Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967
13. Special Rapporteur on the situation on human rights defenders
14. Working Group on Arbitrary Detention (member from the Group of African States)
15. Working Group on Arbitrary Detention (member from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States)
16. Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances (member from the Group of African States)

Individual applications, together with a motivation letter, for any of the above vacancies should be submitted by Thursday 31st October 2013 (midnight, GMT) through the on-line application procedure, which includes a web-based survey and an application form in Word. Updated information on the selection and appointment of mandate holders, and the on-line application procedure is available at the following web page link:
http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx

If encountering technical difficulties, the Secretariat may be contacted by email: hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org or by fax: +41 22 917 9011.

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, international organizations or their offices, national institutions, non-governmental organizations, and other human rights bodies the assurances of its highest consideration.

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