Dear Members of Civil Society,

I have the honour to address you in my capacity as the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Right to Education, in accordance with Human Rights Council resolution 8/4.

I will devote my next thematic report to the Human Rights Council to "The Cultural Dimension of the Right to Education". I would like to engage in a constructive dialogue with all interested stakeholders, in particular States, United Nations agencies, national human rights institutions, non-governmental organizations, research institutes, academics and other experts, in order to collect their views and testimonies.

Contributions should be sent in English, French or Spanish, in WORD format, by 20 February 2020 at the latest, electronically at sreducation@ohchr.org, using the title of the e-mail: "Contribution: cultural dimension of the right to education". Please limit the responses to 2,500 words and attach annexes if necessary.

Contributions will be considered as public documents unless specifically requested by the contributors, and will be posted on the Terms of Reference website.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation and look forward to continuing a constructive dialogue on issues related to my mandate.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Special Rapporteur on the right to education