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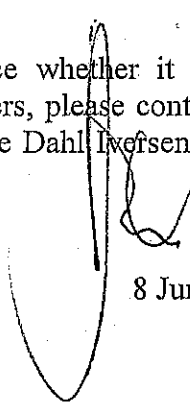
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The Secretariat of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission and has the honour to inform it that the ninth Inter-Committee Meeting (which consists of all Chairpersons and two other members of each human rights treaty body), will convene from 29 June to 1 July 2009, at the United Nations Office at Geneva (Palais Wilson, first floor conference room).

During the eighth Inter-Committee Meeting, it was emphasized that informal consultations with States parties provided an important platform for dialogue and interaction. It was therefore recommended that a full one-day meeting for informal consultations should be allocated during the 9th Inter-Committee in 2009. In this regard, such meeting has been scheduled to take place on **Tuesday, 30 June 2009, Palais des Nations, Room XVII, from 10.00 to 13.00 and from 15.00 to 18.00. The State party is invited to nominate one or more representatives to participate in such meeting.** As requested to the Secretariat, a specific and focused agenda will soon be finalised and transmitted to the States parties in due course.

Documentation for the meeting and will be posted on the website of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (www.ohchr.org) under "Human Rights Bodies" and "Annual meeting of chairpersons and the Inter-Committee Meeting" (2009 documents).

Your Government is requested to indicate at its earliest convenience whether it will be represented at the meeting on 30 June 2009. For all other organizational matters, please contact Ms. Denise D'Aniello at (41) (0)22 917- 9247 or ddaniello@ohchr.org or Ms. Helle Dahl Iversen at (41) (0)22 917- 9421 or hiversen@ohchr.org.



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