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**Non Governmental Organizations (NGOs)
granted Observer Status with the
African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights**

**INVITATION TO THE 64TH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION
24TH APRIL TO 14TH MAY 2019**

I have the honour to invite all Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs) granted observer status with the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights to the 64th Ordinary Session of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (the Commission) which is scheduled to take place in **Sharm El Sheikh, Arab Republic of Egypt, from 24 April to 14 May 2019.**

As usual, NGOs are expected to bear the travel and accommodation expenses relating to the participation of their representative(s).

The Preliminary Registration Form is available at the website of the Commission: <http://www.achpr.org> and should be completed and returned to the Secretariat, together with the copy of the Bio page of the Passport of each participant from your organisation **not later than 22 March 2019.**

Each participant should have a valid Passport with a validity period of at least three (3) months. Participants are advised to obtain their Entry visas at the Diplomatic and Consular Missions of the Arab Republic of Egypt in their respective countries of residence. In this regard, participants are advised to check the existence and location of such Missions at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs/External Relations of their countries of residence. For those who do not have Diplomatic and Consular Missions of the Arab Republic of Egypt in their respective countries of residence, measures shall be taken by the Host Government to facilitate the issuance of visas upon arrival in Cairo or Sharm El Sheikh, provided they have submitted their Registration forms and copy of Passport Bio pages to the Secretariat of the Commission within the deadline given.

The Information Note and Draft Agenda of the Public Session will be posted on the website of the Commission in due course.

Participants are also advised to take the necessary vaccinations, and to travel with their vaccination cards.

NGOs wishing to speak on any of the Agenda Items are strictly required to register with the Secretariat of the Commission in advance, and also **deposit 3 copies** of the statement they wish to make with the Secretariat. This is a pre-requisite for being granted permission to speak during the Sessions. Please kindly note that only NGOs with Observer Status will be allowed to take the floor before the Commission.

Looking forward to seeing you in Sharm El Sheikh.

Sincerely,
Dr. Mary Maboreke
Secretary to the Commission

