

9 August 2005, 12: 30 p.m.
United Nations Headquarters, New York City
Public Lobby, 46th Street Entrance

International Day of the World's Indigenous People

Programme

Peruko Ccopacatty, Aymara/Quechua Elder
Welcome and Opening Blessing

Message of United Nations Secretary General Kofi Annan
Under-Secretary-General José Antonio Ocampo

José Antonio Ocampo
United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs
Coordinator, Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

Message of Victoria Tauli-Corpuz
Chairperson, UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Elissavet Stamatopoulou, Chief
Secretariat for the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Grupo Revelación & Grupo Raices
Traditional Peruvian Dance

Barbara James Snyder (Washoe/Paiute, Nevada)
Poetry Reading* and Closing Song

Master of Ceremonies:
Roberto Múcaro Borrero (Taíno, Puerto Rico)
Chairperson, NGO Committee on the
International Decade of the World's Indigenous Peoples

* Poetry read with the permission of the author, Edna Gordon (Seneca, Cattaraugus).

Panel Discussion

3:00 p.m., Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

“The Cause of Indigenous Peoples is Ours”

Elissavet Stamatopoulou

UN Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Connie Taracena

Permanent Mission of Guatemala to the United Nations

Elizabeth Gibbons

UNICEF

Roberto Múcaro Borrero

NGO Committee on the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

Film Screening, 3:30 p.m.

“ Indigenous Peoples and the United Nations”

(Produced and directed by Rebecca Sommer, 2005)

The International Day of the World's Indigenous People is officially commemorated annually on 9 August in recognition of the first meeting of the United Nations Working Group on Indigenous Populations (Geneva, 1982).

Activities for the International Day were organized by the Secretariat of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs; the United Nations Department of Public Information; and the NGO Committee on the International Decade of the World's Indigenous Peoples.

(Programme subject to change)