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Excellency,

On 21 December 2010 the General Assembly adopted resolution 65/198 by consensus in which it decided to organize in 2014 a high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly, to be known as the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples.

In the context of its Tenth Session, the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Peoples will hold a first discussion regarding the World Conference on 23 May.

I would like to draw your attention to this important meeting which will be an occasion to hear the views of the representatives of indigenous peoples on the conference.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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To all Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York