OPENING CEREMONY OF THE FIFTEENTH SESSION
OF THE UNITED NATIONS PERMANENT FORUM ON INDIGENOUS ISSUES
General Assembly Hall, United Nations Headquarters
Monday, 9 May 2016 - 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

PROGRAMME
1. Ceremonial sound of a *Kipa*, a Kichwa Saraguro traditional instrument by Atahualpa Minga
2. Declaration of the opening of the session by Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs
3. Ceremonial welcome by the traditional Chief of the Onondaga Nation, Todadaho Sid Hill
4. Election of the Chair of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
5. Video message of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon
6. Statement by the President of the 70th session of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Mogens Lykketoft
7. Statement by the Vice President of ECOSOC, H.E. Mr. Sven Jürgenson
8. Election of the Bureau of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
9. Adoption of the Agenda and Programme of Work
10. Statement by the Chair of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
11. Statement by Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs
12. Statement by Ms. Aura Leticia Teleguario, Minister of Labour and Social Prevention of Guatemala
13. Statement by Ms. Jody Wilson-Raybould, Minister of Justice of Canada