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Subject: Call for applications for special procedures mandate holders to be appointed at the 27th session of the Human Rights Council (8-26 September 2014)

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council presents its compliments to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, international organizations or their offices, national institutions, non-governmental organizations, and other human rights bodies, and has the honour to inform them that the following four special procedures mandate holders are to be appointed at the twenty-seventh session of the Human Rights Council (scheduled to take place from 8 to 26 September 2014):

- *Special Rapporteur on the human right to safe drinking water and sanitation* [HRC res. 24/18]
- *Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, member from Western European and other States* [HRC res. 16/16]
- *Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from Asia-Pacific States* [HRC res. 18/28]
- *Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from Eastern European States* [HRC res. 18/28]

Individual applications, including a motivation letter, for any of the above vacancies should be submitted by **Monday, 30 June 2014 (midnight, GMT)** through the on-line application procedure, which consists of (1) a web-based survey and (2) an application form in Word. Updated information on the selection and appointment of special procedures mandate holders and the on-line application procedure is available at the following web page: <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx>

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The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council avails itself of this opportunity to renew to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, international organizations or their offices, national institutions, non-governmental organizations, and other human rights bodies the assurances of its highest consideration.

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