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Subject: Extension of deadline for applications for five vacancies of special procedures mandate holders to be appointed at the 26th session of the Human Rights Council (10-27 June 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, further to its note verbale dated 6 March 2014 regarding the call for applications for five vacancies of special procedures mandate holders to be appointed at the twenty-sixth session of the Human Rights Council (listed below), **the deadline for the submission of applications has been extended to Wednesday 23 April 2014 (midnight GMT):**

1. Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression [HRC res. 16/4];
2. Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health [HRC res. 24/6];
3. Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children [HRC res. 17/1];
4. Working Group on Arbitrary Detention [HRC res. 24/7] member from Asia-Pacific States;
5. Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent [HRC res. 18/28] member from African States.

Updated information on the selection and appointment of mandate holders, and the on-line application procedure is available at the following web page link:
<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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