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Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to inform you that the 2020 Human Rights Council Social Forum will take place on 8 and 9 October 2020 in Room XX, Palais des Nations, Geneva, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Human Rights Council resolution 41/24 entitled "The Social Forum".

The Council, under the above paragraph, decided that at its next meeting the Social Forum should focus on the theme of "good practices, success stories, lessons learned and current challenges in combating poverty and inequalities".

In keeping with the spirit of broad participation enshrined in resolution 41/24, participants may attend the Social Forum in-person (please note that access to rooms XX and XVIII - the latter a spill-over room - will be limited to ensure physical distancing) or remotely through the internet (the meeting link will be provided to those participants who have registered for remote participation). Remote participants are encouraged to submit comments and questions to specific panels in advance by submitting videos of up to 2 minutes to the Secretariat at socialforum@ohchr.org. The proceedings of the Social Forum will be broadcast live in all UN official languages at <http://webtv.un.org/>.

More information on the 2020 Social Forum including guidance on registration, programme of work and relevant background documents is available at <https://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Poverty/SForum/Pages/SForumIndex.aspx>

For any further inquiries, please contact the Secretariat at socialforum@ohchr.org.

I take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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