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## **Training Seminar on the IACHR and UN Systems for the Protection of Indigenous Peoples' Rights**

June 3-4, 2010

### **PROGRAM**

#### **Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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| 8:30 – 9:00 am   | Registration  |
| 9:00 – 9:30 am   | Opening speech – Elizabeth Abi-Mershed, Deputy Executive Secretary, IACHR   |
| 9:30 – 10:00 am  | Presentation: The role of the IACHR in the protection of indigenous peoples' rights. Commissioner Dinah Shelton, Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, IACHR.   |
| 10:00 – 10:45 am | Presentation: The IACHR individual petition system and its application to the protection of indigenous peoples' rights. Federico Guzmán, Human Rights Specialist, Rapporteurship on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples - IACHR. |
| 10:45 – 11:00 am | Questions and answers.  |
| 11:00 – 11:15 am | Coffee Break  |
| 11:15 – 12:00 m  | Presentation: The IACHR Precautionary Measures System and its application to the protection of indigenous peoples' Rights. Debora Benchoam, Coordinator and Principal Human Rights Specialist – Protection Group, IACHR.      |
| 12:00 – 12:15 pm | Questions and answers.  |

12:15 – 2:00 pm	Lunch
2:00 – 2:30 pm	Reflections on IACHR engagement in indigenous cases - Professor James Anaya, UN Special Rapporteur
2:30 – 2:45 PM	Questions and answers
2:45 – 3:30 PM	Presentation: The role of the UN Special Rapporteurship on the situation of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of Indigenous Peoples. Professor James Anaya, UN Special Rapporteur.
3:30 – 3:45 PM	Questions and answers
3:45 – 4:45 PM	1) Other UN mechanisms with mandate in indigenous issues: the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous issues and the Expert Mechanism on the rights of indigenous peoples; and 2) Introduction to UN Treaty Bodies (Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and the Human Rights Committee). Maia Campbell, Coordinator, University of Arizona Support Project for the Special Rapporteur
4:45 – 5:00 PM	Questions and answers
5:00 pm	Closing

**Friday, June 4th**

9:00 – 10:30 am	Roundtable discussion: <i>Human Rights issues affecting the indigenous peoples of the United States and Canada.</i> Moderator: James Anaya
10:30 – 10:45 am	Coffee break
10:45 – 12:15 pm	Roundtable discussion: <i>Difficulties and problems that hinder or prevent access by the indigenous peoples of the United States and Canada to international protection mechanisms.</i> Moderator: Dinah Shelton
12:15 – 12:30 pm	Summary of conclusions and recommendations.
12:30 pm	Closing.