



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

25 February, 2016

Excellency,

I refer to my letter, dated 18 February, 2016, regarding the implementation of the relevant provision of the resolution 70/486 entitled "Rights of Indigenous Peoples", adopted by the General Assembly on 1 December, 2015.

I have the honour to invite your delegation to participate in the first informal launch briefing which will take place at 3:00pm on Monday, 7 March, 2016, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

This briefing will provide an opportunity to Member States and indigenous peoples to express their views on the participation of indigenous peoples' representatives and institutions in meetings of relevant United Nations bodies on issues affecting them. I will be joined by the four advisers I have appointed to assist in conducting these consultations. The advisers will present a roadmap outlining how they propose to conduct the consultations and invite you to provide inputs on how to take this process forward and answer any questions.

I encourage the active participation of your delegation.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mogens Lykketoft".

Mogens Lykketoft

All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
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