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**18th American Regional Meeting  
Lima, Peru, 13-16 October 2014**

«Politesse»,

It is my great pleasure to inform you that the *18th American Regional Meeting* of the International Labour Organization will take place in Lima, Peru, from Monday, 13 to Thursday, 16 October 2014, at the Delfines Hotel & Casino. This ILO Regional Meeting is generously hosted by the Government of the Republic of Peru. We are therefore pleased to invite your country to be represented at the Meeting by a tripartite delegation.

At four-yearly intervals, the American Regional Meeting brings together the political, economic and social actors from the countries of the Region. This 18th Meeting will focus particularly on sustainable development with full and productive employment and Decent Work, themes taken up in the report that I shall submit and which will be sent to you in due course. The report will be published in Spanish and English. The proposed agenda of the Meeting is to discuss progress made by countries over the past four years with the Decent Work Agenda and the principal challenges faced by the region in maintaining patterns of growth with social inclusion. Particular attention will be given to the role of employment policies and social protection in boosting productivity and formal employment, thus ensuring that labour rights are upheld.

--- The attached *Rules for Regional Meetings* (2008) will govern the powers, functions and procedures of the *18th American Regional Meeting*. Your attention is drawn in particular to articles 1 and 9 of the *Rules*, which deal respectively with the tripartite composition of delegations and with the submission of credentials. The attached form for the presentation of credentials must be filled in and returned to the Office of the Legal Adviser of the International Labour Office in Geneva, **at the latest by Friday, 26 September 2014**.  
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I wish to reiterate my earlier appeals to Governments of States Members of the ILO, as well as to national organizations of employers and of workers, to redouble their efforts to ensure that women represent at least **30 per cent** of the delegation, while working towards the ultimate aim of parity.

--- The full details of the Meeting and, in particular, the provisional programme, will be sent to you at a later date. In the meantime, I also enclose an Information note together with a list of the hotels at which special rates have been negotiated for participants. Further information on the Regional Meeting may be obtained by email:

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The *18th American Regional Meeting* has before it the crucial task of giving form to the ILO's programme for the region in the years to come. It is the active participation of our member States from the region that will allow us, together, to chart the way forward.

I very much hope that I shall have the pleasure of welcoming you to this important Meeting in Lima.

Yours sincerely,

(Signature)

Guy Ryder  
Director-General

## ANNEXES

*Rules for Regional Meetings (2008)*

Form for credentials

Information note

List of hotels