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On behalf of the Director-General of the World Health Organization, the Regional Director for the Americas has the honor to invite you or your representative to participate as an observer at the 55th Directing Council of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), 68th Session of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization (WHO) for the Americas, to be held at PAHO's Headquarters in Washington, D.C., United States of America, from 26 to 30 September 2016.

A copy of the provisional agenda of the Council is enclosed. The working documents of the meeting will be made available in the four official languages of the Organization on the Governing Bodies page of the PAHO website: <a href="www.paho.org">www.paho.org</a>. Documents will be posted online as they become available. Should an NGO wish to present a statement during the Directing Council Session, please refer to Rule 28 of the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council.

Nongovernmental organizations in official relations with the Organization or the World Health Organization, and other invited organizations, may attend sessions of the Council, but without the right to vote. By leave of the President, they may make a brief statement of an expository nature on an item before the session, and may be invited to make a brief additional statement for the purpose of clarification.

Please advise Ms. Piedad Huerta, Senior Advisor, Office of Governing Bodies, (e-mail: <a href="https://huertapi@paho.org">huertapi@paho.org</a>, phone: 202-974-3107) of your participation or that of your representative.

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