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**Promotion et protection de tous les droits de l'homme, civils, politiques, économiques, sociaux et culturels, y compris le droit au développement**

### **Lettre datée du 26 mai 2011, adressée au Président du Conseil des droits de l'homme par la Mission permanente de la République du Bélarus auprès de l'Office des Nations Unies à Genève et des autres organisations internationales à Genève**

La Mission permanente de la République du Bélarus auprès de l'Office des Nations Unies à Genève et des autres organisations internationales à Genève présente ses compliments au secrétariat du Conseil des droits de l'homme et a l'honneur de lui communiquer la lettre ci-jointe rédigée conjointement par un groupe de pays unis contre la traite des êtres humains, en priant le Président du Conseil de bien vouloir faire distribuer le texte de cette lettre\* en tant que document de la dix-septième session.

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\* La lettre est reproduite en annexe telle qu'elle a été reçue, dans la langue originale seulement.

## Annexe

We have the honour to draw your kind attention to the recent establishment in Geneva of the Group of Friends United against Human Trafficking.

This Group of Friends together with groups alike in New York and Vienna is aimed at strengthening global counter-trafficking activities under the auspices of the United Nations.

Geneva Group of Friends (GGF) is an informal, voluntary and *open-ended* association of like-minded Member States created to assist to the relevant international organizations and their bodies located in Geneva to effectively implement within their respective mandates the United Nations Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons (A/RES/64/293) and, in a more general sense, to reinforce and consolidate their counter-trafficking activities.

From this perspective we believe that the Human Rights Council has a large potential to effectively address human trafficking through result-oriented human rights based approach. In this context our Group stands ready to constructively cooperate with the Council's relevant thematic special procedures, Member States as well as NGOs that are not indifferent to the alarming worldwide spread of modern slavery.

GGF also seeks close cooperation with other international stakeholders, including the International Organization for Migration, the Office of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the International Labour Organization, the World Health organization.

To facilitate the work of the Group of Friends the Belarusian Mission is currently exercising functions of the GGF coordinator.

We would be grateful if you could kindly circulate the present letter as an official document of the seventeenth session of the Human Rights Council.

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(signed) Mikhail Khvostov  
Permanent Representative of Belarus

(signed) Angélica C. Navarro Llanos  
Permanent Representative of Bolivia

(signed) Mauricio Montalvo  
Permanent Representative of Ecuador

(signed) Hisham Badr  
Permanent Representative of Egypt

(signed) Gopinathan Achamkulangare  
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(signed) Gulnara Isakova  
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(signed) Evan P. Garcia  
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