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UPDATE

127th Assembly (Quebec City)

Dear Madam Secretary,
Dear Mr. Secretary,

I trust that, by now, your Parliament has received the Invitation letter and related annexes to the 127th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union from the Parliament of Canada, as well as the official Convocation.

I am pleased to inform you that a number of **Assembly documents** are available on the IPU website at <http://www.ipu.org/conf-e/127agnd.htm>. These include the concept notes for the various panel discussions, as well as the draft outcome Quebec City Declaration, on which members have been invited to provide input. The rapporteurs of the three Standing Committees are working on their draft reports, which should be ready for circulation in early September. We will continue to post documents on our website regularly, so please do not hesitate to consult it for the latest updates.

With regard to Canadian **visa applications**, we draw your attention to the fact that these should be submitted **at least eight weeks in advance**, with the specification that delegates are attending the 127th Assembly of the IPU. Full details are available on the Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) website- <http://www.cic.gc.ca>. The list of countries whose nationals require visas for entry into Canada, as well as the corresponding Canadian visa offices, can be accessed at <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/information/offices/apply-where.asp#d>

Because of the large number of events taking place in Quebec City in the month of October, we also urge you to **reserve hotel rooms** for your delegation as soon as possible. Booking should be made online at: <http://www.ipu2012uip.ca/plan-your-trip/accommodation/>. Additional information can be obtained from the Secretariat of the host Parliament.

Finally, unless your Parliament has already registered its delegation, we look forward to receiving the names of your delegates.

Yours sincerely,



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