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**The World Organisation Against Torture (OMCT)
and the International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH)**

are pleased to invite you
to the following side event:

**« *Social and democratic protests: lessons learned for
the protection of human rights defenders* »**

Monday 7th March 2011

1.15 - 3 pm

Palais des Nations, Room XXVII - Geneva

Keynote speakers

Ms. Margaret Sekagya

UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders

Mr. Jorge Gómez Lizarazo

Vice President of Corporación para la Defensa y Promoción de los Derechos
Humanos- REINICIAR
Colombia

Mr. Aliaksandr Bialiatski

President of Human Rights Center Viasna
FIDH Vice President
Belarus

Ms. Khadija Cherif

Former President of the Association tunisienne des femmes démocrates (ATFD)
FIDH Secretary General
Tunisia

Moderator: **Mr. Eric Sottas**, OMCT Secretary General
*Translations will be available into Russian and Spanish
Refreshments and sandwiches will be served*