The Observatory for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders (OMCT-FIDH), the International Service for Human Rights and the Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations

Cordially invite Member States and members of the public to a panel:

**Human rights defenders more than ever at risk**

The event will focus both on the Annual Report 2011 of the Observatory and the report to the 66th session of the General Assembly by the UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders, Ms. Margaret Sekaggya

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**Tuesday, October 25, 2011**

3 - 5 pm, Millennium UN Plaza Hotel, Diplomat Ballroom
One United Nations Plaza, 44th Street between 1st and 2nd Avenue, NY 10017

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Panel of Speakers

**Ms. Margaret Sekaggya**
UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights Defenders

**Mr. Gerald Staberock**
Secretary General, World Organisation Against Torture (OMCT)

**Ms. Souhayr Belhassen**
President, International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH)

**Mr. Luis Arriaga**
Former Director, Agustín Pro Juárez Human Rights Center (PRODH Center) and a member of OMCT General Assembly, Mexico

**Ms. Justine Masika Bihamba**
Coordinator, NGO “Women’s Synergy for the Victims of Sexual Violence” (SFVS) Democratic Republic of Congo

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**Moderated by Ms. Tine Mørch Smith**
Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations

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*Refreshments will be available*

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