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Dear Irina Simonenko,

Thank you for pre-registering for the 19th session of the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD-19), which will convene from 2-13 May 2011 at UN Headquarters in New York. This message serves as your official confirmation letter.

Upon arrival at UN Headquarters, representatives of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) are advised to enter the General Assembly building through the Visitors' Entrance located at 45th Street and First Avenue, and proceed to the Major Groups registration desk. In order to register for participation and receive a grounds pass to enter the UN complex, you must present a valid passport or other photo identification. Please make sure to visit the website below for registration schedule.

Please note that your organization will need to make arrangements to cover the cost of your travel to and from New York, as well as your accommodations during the meeting. Please also ensure that you have the necessary visa for entry into the United States through the local US Embassy or Consulate. Representatives requiring a visa to enter the United States are advised to apply as early as possible in case any time is needed for special clearances by the US authorities, and ensure that the visa is received in time for travel. Past practice shows that when applying for US visa, it is recommended that NGOs and other representatives of major groups bring copies of the UN confirmation letter, as well as a letter prepared by their own NGO, at the time of their appointment with the US Consulate or Embassy. The NGO letter should include detailed information on the visa applicant (e.g., position, number of years working for the NGO, and number of applicants that the NGO is sending to the Intersessional Meeting).

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If you have any questions regarding this meeting, please write to the Secretariat at csdmregister@un.org

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chantal Line Carpentier', written over a white background.

Chantal Line Carpentier
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