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Dear Members of the HIV/AIDS Expert Group,  
Invited guests of the EG and NDPHS Secretariat :

**Subject:** Invitation to the 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the NDPHS HIV/AIDS Expert Group

Dear Colleagues:

I am pleased to invite you to the meeting of the Expert Group on HIV/AIDS for the Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health and Social Wellbeing in Ottawa from 18-20 March, 2009. The meeting will be hosted by the International Affairs Directorate, Health Canada.

The meeting will take place from March 18, 09:00 to March 20, 13:00 at the Lord Elgin Hotel in Ottawa. Please see [http://www.ndphs.org/?mtgs.hiv/aids\\_10\\_ottawa](http://www.ndphs.org/?mtgs.hiv/aids_10_ottawa) for detailed timetable and further practical information.

The aim of this meeting is to discuss ongoing activities; the progress report and the work plan for 2009; as well as to hold a specific thematic segment on HIV/TB co-infection with a sub focus on indigenous peoples. There will also be two site visits in Ottawa and a dinner hosted by Health Canada. A final agenda will be sent to you by February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009.

In order to confirm your participation, please **fill in the electronic registration form at the address [http://www.ndphs.org/?mtgs.hiv/aids\\_10\\_ottawa](http://www.ndphs.org/?mtgs.hiv/aids_10_ottawa) no later than February 25, 2009**. To be guaranteed a hotel room at the Lord Elgin Hotel, please ensure you make your room reservation directly with the hotel **no later than February 15, 2009** (*information on making reservations is in the "Practical information for participants" document*)

Health Canada looks forward to welcoming you to Ottawa.

Yours sincerely,

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