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Dear Mr. Ershov,

On behalf of the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, I would like to thank you for the participation of the NGO Elleyada at the cultural event, Exhibition Opening and Reception on “Indigenous Peoples and Food Sovereignty”, organized in recognition of the Eleventh Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues. The event took place on Tuesday, 8 May 2012, at the Visitors’ Lobby of the United Nations Headquarters and has seen the participation of performers and guests from all over the world.

The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues firmly believes that the multiple indigenous artistic forms - art, music, dance – are fundamental to express the richness and diversity of indigenous traditions, knowledge and spirituality. Your participation at the cultural event, therefore, has invaluable contributed to the promotion of indigenous peoples’ cultural heritage through art and music.

The Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues thanks you again for your precious cooperation to raise awareness of indigenous peoples’ rights.

Yours sincerely,



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