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Dear Dean of Law

**World Human Rights Moot Court Competition, 8 and 9 December 2011,
Pretoria, South Africa**

You are cordially invited to participate in the third World Human Rights Moot Court Competition, due to be held on 8 and 9 December 2011, to mark International Human Rights Day. The competition is presented by the University of Pretoria's Faculty of Law, with the support of the Regional Office for Southern Africa of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (ROSA).

The second World Human Rights Moot Court was held in 2010. In view of the success of this event, it was decided to continue with the competition.

A team of two students from your Faculty – preferably one female and one male – is invited to submit heads of argument on the basis of a hypothetical case. Based on the assessment of the heads of argument by a panel of experts, three teams from each of the five UN regions will be invited to participate in person in the semi-finals and final round in Pretoria in December 2011. Teams will be required to cover their own travelling and other expenses, although accommodation and local travelling costs as well as meals in Pretoria will be covered by the organisers. There is a participation fee of R5 000 for all teams who are selected for participation in the semi-finals and final round in Pretoria. Limited financial assistance can be requested by teams who are unable to pay this fee. The official languages of the competition are English and French, and there will be simultaneous translation.

The competition website containing the rules of procedure and the problem as well as the registration form, www.up.ac.za/law, will be active at the latest from 20 April 2011. Registration forms must be received by 15 August 2011 and heads of argument must be submitted by 9 September 2011, by email to cherryl.botterill@gmail.com. However, motivated requests for moderate extension of time will be considered if received before that date.

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact Cherryl-Lee Botterill on cherryl.botterill@gmail.com.

We look forward to your participation!

Yours sincerely

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