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Dear ICC National Committee President and Executive Director

V Summit of the Americas – Private Sector Forum April 15th-16th 2009, in Trinidad and Tobago

Please see below, and attached, information with respect to the Private Sector Forum of the 5th Summit of the Americas. We would be grateful if you would disseminate this information to your member chambers and encourage them to register and attend the Forum. It promises to be a very important event for the private sector from the hemisphere and our Chamber looks forward to welcoming you to our beautiful country in April.

The Trinidad and Tobago of Industry and Commerce would like to remind everyone that our prestigious quarterly magazine, CONTACT Special Summit Edition will be available upon request at \$10U.S. per copy. Please contact Sharon at telephone 868-637-6966 Ext226 or Vashti at Ext 285.

Best regards

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Letter of Invitation from the Summit Secretariat

Dear Sir/Madam,

Fifth Summit of the Americas - II Hemispheric Private Sector Forum

On behalf of the National Secretariat for the Fifth Summit of the Americas, the Organization of American States (OAS) and prominent business leaders of the Western Hemisphere, we are pleased to advise that you have been specially selected to apply to participate at the II Hemispheric Private Sector Forum of the Fifth Summit of the Americas, to be held in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, on April 15th – 16th, 2009.

The convening of this meeting takes place on the occasion of the Fifth Summit of the Americas, which will bring together the Heads of State of 34 Governments of the Western Hemisphere, on April 17-19, 2009. The Forum is also set against the background of the impact of recent crises in the global financial markets, precipitous declines in energy and commodity prices and the current world economic recession. Recommendations coming out of the forum will have an impact on discussions held by the Heads of State at the Summit.

The Fifth Summit of the Americas represents a tremendous opportunity to refocus development priorities and shape partnerships towards a shared vision for the Americas as the Hemisphere struggles with new and far-reaching challenges. The theme “**Securing Our Citizens’ Future by Promoting Human Prosperity, Energy Security and Environmental Sustainability**” sets the course for a more globally dynamic and competitive Americas, where the benefits of growth and development are delivered to all segments of the population, and in this way create a strategic pathway for advancing peace and prosperity.

The II Hemispheric Private Sector Forum has been organized to provide Leaders of the business community of the Americas with an opportunity to build new networks, exchange ideas, and communicate their views on the prospects for business growth and human prosperity in the Americas in the coming decade.

We have attached for your information a copy of the, forum agenda, registration and accreditation forms, a diagram of the registration steps, and photograph specifications. This information can also be obtained from our website www.fifthsummitoftheamericas.org. We urge you to check this website regularly for updates and further information. Completed forms can be faxed to number (868) 627 1529 or scanned/ emailed to privatesectorforum@opm.gov.tt.

Due to the security measures required for the Fifth Summit of the Americas, all participants in the forum must be accredited. It is therefore important that you pay particular attention to the information required on this form. Please note that accreditation and registration forms should be sent in by March 25, 2009 to guarantee that your accreditation card will be ready. Accreditation forms received after this date may be subject to processing delays and the National Secretariat cannot guarantee thereafter that accreditation will be provided in time for the Forum.

Cost of participation at the II Hemispheric Private Sector Forum is US \$300. Once applicants have successfully completed the accreditation stage, they will be contacted for payment of the registration fee.

We look forward to receiving your positive response and to welcoming you to this historical event. Should you be interested, the National Secretariat can facilitate meeting or networking opportunities with fellow participants at the Forum to optimize the benefits of your visit to Trinidad and Tobago.

Sincerely

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