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Dear John

Re: Invitation to a roundtable discussion on The Role of National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) in Protecting and Promoting Human Rights Online 26-28 May 2017, Johannesburg, South Africa

The Association for Progressive Communications has the pleasure to invite you to a two-day strategic roundtable on "***The Role of National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) in Protecting and Promoting Human Rights Online***".

The meeting will be held from **26-28 May 2017 in Johannesburg, South Africa.**

The key objectives of the roundtable include:

- African NHRIs strengthen their understanding of the challenges, needs and requirements for the application of the human rights framework online from their counterparts across the region;
- African NHRIs have exchanged their experiences of- and strategies for- and lessons learnt in translating and applying their respective domestic human rights frameworks in respect of online rights and violations;
- African NHRIs have gained exposure to the African Declaration on Internet Rights and Freedoms as a framework for the application of human rights online and *vice-versa*; and
- the relationships between African NHRIs and regional civil society role-players working in the realm of online and communication rights have been strengthened.

The Association for Progressive Communications will cover the cost of your travel, accommodation and meals for the duration of your participation in this meeting.

Please contact Eunice Mwesigwa at eunice@apc.org for additional information regarding your travel and logistical arrangements.

Sincerely

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