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Excellency

With great pleasure the GFMC has received your kind invitation to participate at the upcoming 4th National and First Latin American Exercise of Forest Fire Brigades in Guayaquil, organized by the Republic of Ecuador.

On behalf of the Global Fire Monitoring Center and the UNISDR Global Wildland Fire Network I would like to express my appreciation for conducting this activity. This event will be important to bring together firefighters from throughout Latin America and internationally, and will contribute to a better understanding of participating countries in the different cultures and environments of Latin America. The result will be a consolidation of friendly relationships between the countries of the region and to increase the readiness and efficiency of regional cooperation in forest fire management.

It is unfortunate that staff members of the Global Fire Monitoring Center will not be able to participate in this event. We are committed in that week in following up the forest fires of 2010 in the Russian Federation.

However, with this message of congratulation and appreciation the GFMC would like to congratulate you for this important event and wish you all the best success.

Yours faithfully

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