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Dear Colleagues!

Recent years we are witnessing the growth of frequency and intensity of natural and man-made disasters. To great extent these catastrophes are caused by climate change, urbanization, dynamic development of energy producing industry and the deterioration of fixed assets of infrastructure and industry. As the experience shows, the scales of disasters may be so tremendous that even the most prepared and developed countries as well as the UN system can experience difficulties in ensuring the security of population and territories. This can be demonstrated on the examples of the hurricane Kathrine in the USA, earthquake in Haiti, flood in Pakistan, forest fires in Russia and Israel. The most important nowadays is to exchange best practices on emergencies management and look for the ways of improvement of international response mechanisms.

In this context EMERCOM of Russia in cooperation with the World Bank and the Ministry of Interior of Germany cordially invites the leadership and senior experts of agencies on emergency management and other related organizations for participation at the conference “**Hot summer 2010: lessons learned**” and workshops to be held in Moscow on March 22-23, 2011.

The main goals of the conference are the following:

- to make conclusions on the results of operations carried out in response to wild fires and other correlating disasters;
- to share information on the most effective methods of fighting wild fires and other natural disasters, as well as on equipment and technologies applied;
- to exchange views on the improvement of the mechanism of international disaster relief assistance to be rendered during large-scale catastrophes.

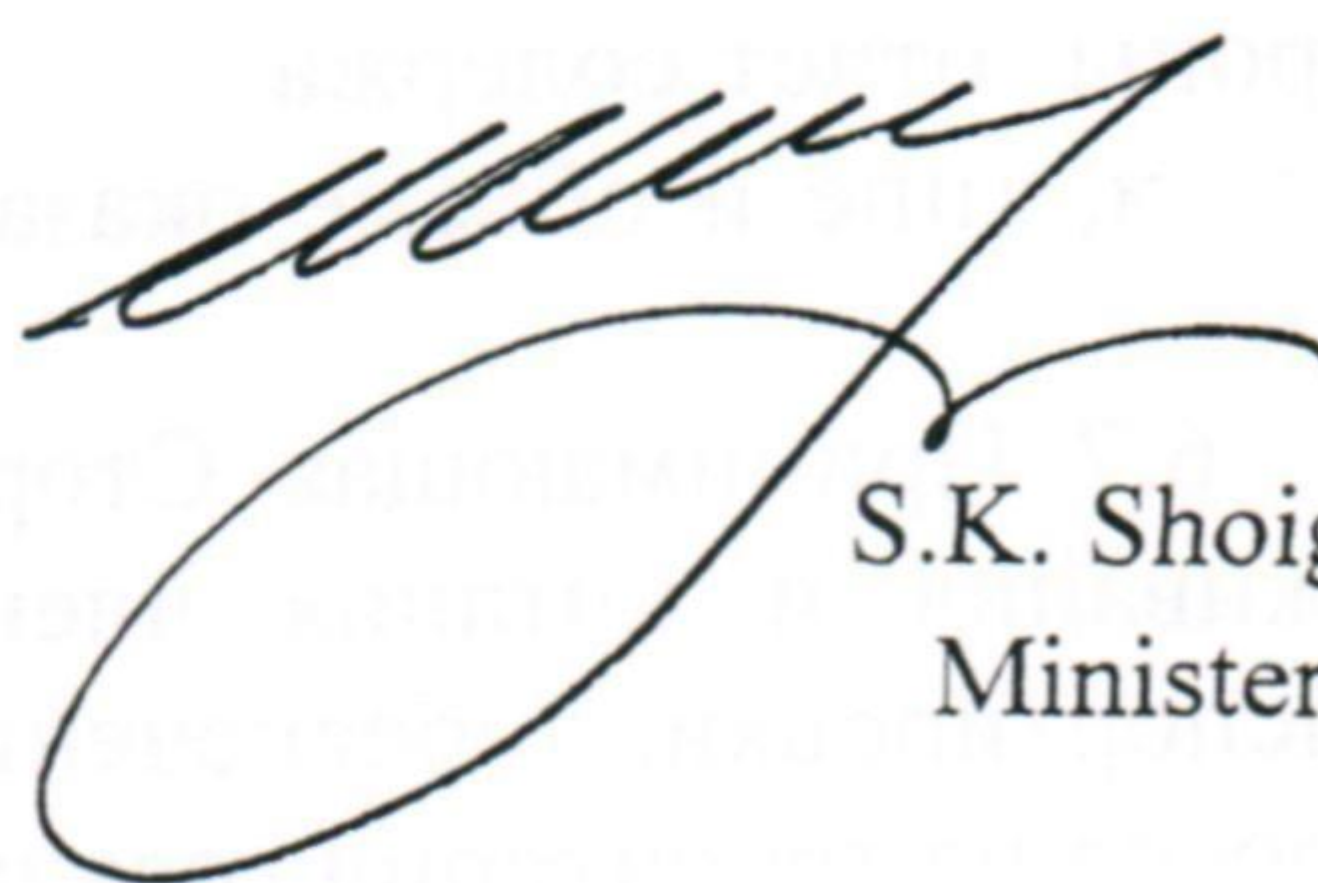
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Based on the conclusions of the conference EMERCOM of Russia is planning to adopt the Plan of action on the establishment of multilateral international mechanism on natural and man-made disasters management.

We would appreciate if you could send application form indicating the topic of your presentation by email russia-fires2010@mail.ru before February 17, 2011. Practical information and registration form are available in the attachment.

Yours faithfully,

С уважением,



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