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Invitation
ARCTIC COUNCIL
SENIOR ARCTIC OFFICIALS
AND MINISTERIAL MEETINGS

SALEKHARD, OCTOBER 24-26, 2006

Dear colleagues,

I have the pleasure of extending the invitation to the upcoming SAO and Ministerial meeting, which will take place on October 24-26, 2006 in Salekhard, Russia.

We propose to have a SAO meeting on October 24 and half of the day of 25, have an official dinner on behalf of AC Chairman Sergei Lavrov in the evening of 25th of October, have Ministerial session in the first half of the 26th of October, followed by lunch and cultural program on behalf of Governor Neelov until (tentatively) 16.00 of October 26.

Member states, PPs and WGs will compose delegations at their discretion, at the same time we deem it necessary that Observer countries and Observer organizations limit their delegations to 3 members.

Please, confirm your participation and inform us on your delegation by **September 22 (registration form is attached)**.

Background information and more detailed program will be sent to you later.

Sincerely,

Alexander Ignatiev
Chairman of SAOs