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Nadejda Atayeva
President of the Association "Human Rights in Central Asia," and
Civil Society Activists of Uzbekistan

Dear Ms. Atayeva and other Activists,

I invite you to a meeting on 4 April 2008 from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM in Bremen, Germany. I am gratified to hear that six representative of the Civil Society Activists of Uzbekistan have an interest in attending the meeting.

The meeting will be held under the auspices of the ICAC and is not part of the Bremen conference. The purpose of the meeting is to improve communication through an exchange of contact information among participants, descriptions of the activities of our respective organizations, and a review of the sources and citations for the allegations in the petition sent in November 2007 and the letter sent in January 2008.

I will attend, and I am inviting representatives of the Bremen Baumwollbörse, the Gdynia Cotton Exchange and the International Cotton Association, since these organizations were copied in your November petition. I also intend to invite representatives of the ILO and UNICEF, since you have called for action on their part, but I do not know whether they will accept.

In the first sentence of your January letter you said, "the reaction of certain international organizations." Could you please indicate what other international organization reacted to your November petition so that the organization can also be invited to the meeting. If you are working with a specific person in UNICEF who should be invited, please inform me.

The venue for the meeting will be:

BREMEN COTTON EXCHANGE
Bremer Baumwollbörse
Meeting Room, 4th Floor
Wachtstraße 17-24

In addition, you may have an interest in attending all or part of the 29th International Cotton Conference Bremen during April 2-5, 2008. I will forward conference information separately.

Sincerely,

Terry P. Townsend
Executive Director

Cc: Mr. Jan Wellmann, Executive Director, Bremen Baumwollbörse
Mr. Zbigniew Rostwitalski, Executive Vice President, Gdynia Cotton Exchange
Mr. John Beck, Director General, International Cotton Association