FAMILY WATCH INTERNATIONAL
in association with
The Foundation for African Culture and Heritage
Cordially invite you to attend

THE 2011 GLOBAL FAMILY POLICY FORUM
for United Nations Delegates Working on Third Committee Issues

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20 & FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 2011
SAN TAN ELEGANTE CONVENTION CENTER
(20 minutes from Phoenix, Arizona Sky Harbor Airport)

DAY 1: THURSDAY, JANUARY 20 - Briefing by lawyers and experts with scholarly and scientific presentations on family policy issues generally dealt with by the UN’s Third Committee. Delegates will be provided with current research, statistics, and resources on a number of sensitive family issues that will be negotiated at upcoming UN conferences in 2011.

DAY 2: FRIDAY, JANUARY 21 - General discussion and debate regarding recurrent themes in the upcoming 2011 Third Committee conferences including CSD, CSW, CPD (Second Committee), and the High Level Meeting on HIV/AIDS. Delegates will discuss strategies for ensuring that the institution of the family is recognized and respected in 2011 conference outcome documents in accordance with UDHR 16.2. Plans regarding UN preparations for and celebration of the 20th Anniversary of the Year of the Family will also be discussed.

(See attached sheet for further event information.)

UN delegates in attendance will receive:

- A complimentary copy of the most comprehensive searchable database of UN documents available that can be easily loaded on a laptop, including treaties, resolutions, committee observations, etc. Delegates will be trained to use this database during UN negotiations to find prior consensus language on relevant topics.

- Multiple take-home resources including summaries of scientific studies and statistical reports on cutting edge family issues as well as materials to aid in negotiating pro-family outcomes in UN documents.
Event Information

Travel, accommodations, and meals will be provided.

Travel – Delegates will travel on Wednesday, January 19, arriving in Arizona the same day. You may also book your own flight from New York and be reimbursed (maximum $750, must be coach class) or contact Family Watch to arrange and pay for your flight directly. You will have a host family who will pick you up from the airport and take you to the Legado Hotel, where you will have a room and which is adjacent to the conference center. Your host family will help you with any other needs you may have during your stay.

Reception – A reception will be held at 7:30 PM on Wednesday evening at the home of Family Watch International president Sharon Slater where delegates can network with other delegates, heads of pro-family NGOs who work at the United Nations, and expert presenters.

Extended Travel – Host families are available to provide lodging and meals for delegates who wish to extend their stay through the weekend and tour parts of Arizona. Delegates who wish to travel to nearby attractions outside of Arizona such as Disneyland (6-hour drive from Phoenix) will be financially responsible for lodging and meals, however, conference organizers will be happy to assist with arrangements.

Internet – You will have access to wireless Internet in your hotel room as well as in the conference center.

Meals – A buffet breakfast will be provided at the hotel each morning. Lunches, dinners and snacks will provided by Family Watch International. Please contact us for any special dietary needs.

RSVP – To register and arrange travel, please contact Annie Franklin, Event Coordinator, by email—[email protected], fax—[fax], or by phone—[phone].

This invitation is not transferable.