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Dear Honourable Delegates and Participants,

Welcome to York University and thank you for attending our Research Workshop on Critical Issues in International Refugee Law.

We greatly value your participation in the workshop. Over the next two days, we look forward to an interesting and constructive dialogue about a number of pertinent legal issues confronting international refugee law today.

This binder contains all of the essential information that you will need during the workshop, including the principal academic papers, judicial commentaries, and relevant supporting materials. In addition to the materials provided today, we have case law, weblinks and resources on our Critical Issues in International Refugee Law (CIIRL) website: www.yorku.ca/ciirl

Enclosed in this package you will find evaluation forms that we would like you to complete at the end of each day. This will only take a few minutes of your time and is an important component of our review and assessment process.

We have included the names and contact information of the persons who are responsible for specific aspects of the workshop. You will also find a list of all of the members of our Research Workshop Organizing Committee. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require anything during your stay at York University.

For those who are unfamiliar with York University or the City of Toronto, we have included maps and other information to help to make your stay a thoroughly enjoyable experience.

Again, it is an honour and privilege to work with you as we attempt to resolve some of the world's most pressing humanitarian and international legal issues.

With Very Best Wishes,

Dr. James C. Simeon, Assistant Professor

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