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Dear

I hope you may be interested in considering attending the 12th annual Festival of Friendship Dinner put on by the Ottawa Muslim Women's Association (OMWO).

This year, the OMWO has decided to dedicate the proceeds of the dinner to the Royal Ottawa Foundation for Mental Health. This is important for the money it will raise for the Royal but even more so for opening up the discussion on mental health within the community. You may know that my friend and former Executive Assistant, Tracey Welsh, is the Manager of Special Projects at the Foundation. Since I go to the dinner every year, I have said I would contact friends to try to put together at minimum two tables of people who would like to sit together in support of the Royal. I hope you may want to join us.

This dinner brings together people from diverse ethnic and religious communities, some embassy representatives and local elected reps and officials. The food is great and so is the company. This year the wife of the Governor General will be attending, since she also has a special interest in mental health.

The dinner is on Sunday, April 28. I have attached below the full information on time and location etc.

Please let me know as soon as you can if you would like to join a table of friends most of whom you will probably know. As soon as I have an indication of numbers I will ask that enough tickets be set aside for us to be seated together.

Thank you and best wishes,

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The Ottawa Muslim Women's Organization (OMWO) would like to invite you to join us at our 12th Annual Festival of Friendship Dinner. As you well know, this dinner brings people together to celebrate the diverse and vibrant community of Ottawa.

We are honoured this year to have Dr. Ingrid Mattson as our keynote speaker. Proceeds from this year's dinner will benefit the Royal Ottawa Foundation for Mental Health.

We appreciate your ongoing support of the OMWO and look forward to seeing you at our dinner, on Sunday, April 28, 2013 at the St. Elias Centre (750 Ridgewood Avenue).

Doors open at 5:30pm.

COST: \$50 per person or \$400 for table of 8