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The DPI/NGO Relations and DESA/Social Integration Branch, Division of Social Policy and Development invite you to a

## Briefing

on

### *‘Fathers and Families: Responsibilities and Challenges’*

In observance of the International Day of the Family (15 May)

**Thursday, 15 May 2008**

**10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

in

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

#### **Background Information:**

The International Day of the Family has been observed and celebrated every year on 15 May, since the General Assembly passed its 47/237 resolution on 20 September 1993. The annual observance reflects on the importance of families as the basic units of all societies and promotes awareness of issues related to families. This year, the DPI/NGO briefing will look at the role of fathers in families and their impact on future generations. The briefing will commence with a video “To be a Father”, hosted by Ray Romano.

#### **Speakers:**

**Mrs. Joyce C. Kafanabo**, Minister Plenipotentiary, Permanent Mission of the United Republic of Tanzania to the United Nations

**Ms. Nurper Ulkuer**, Senior Adviser and Chief, Early Childhood Development Unit, UNICEF

**Prof. Anderson J. Franklin**, Department of Counseling, Developmental and Educational Psychology, Boston College

Representatives of NGOs are encouraged to participate during the Q & A segment.

The live webcast of the event may be available at [www.un.org/dpi/ngosection](http://www.un.org/dpi/ngosection)

**Preview of next week's briefing:**

On Thursday, 22 May, the briefing entitled “Be a Better Neighbour: Prevent Elder Neglect” will look at the issue of elder abuse and the “Neighbour Day” initiative. Elder abuse can take place in various forms and in different contexts including neglect, poor treatment, physical and psychological abuse, and financial exploitation of dependent elderly people in institutional and family settings.

Briefings are held in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. unless otherwise indicated. United Nations-produced videos relevant to the briefing theme are usually screened at 10:00 a.m. on the morning of the briefing.

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