

2006 High Level Meeting on AIDS
United Nations, New York, 31 May – 2 June 2006

Event: **Opening plenary meeting**
Date/Time: **31 May, Wednesday, 09:00 – 09:30 a.m.**
Venue: **General Assembly Hall**

The President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, the Executive Director of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) and a representative of civil society will each give a statement not exceeding ten minutes.

The proposed civil society representative is Ms. Maura Mea from Igat Hope, a network for people living with HIV in Papua New Guinea.¹ The alternate is the Reverend Canon Gideon Byamugisha from the African Network of Religious Leaders Living With and Personally Affected by HIV and AIDS (ANERELA+).²

In line with General Assembly Resolution 60/224, the opening plenary meeting will be open to attendees described in paragraph 5 of the main body of this information note.

Civil society attendees will be invited to observe the plenary meeting from the public gallery, within the limits of the space available. There will be an “overflow room” (Conference Room 3) to enable delegates unable to attend in person to follow proceedings.

¹ Ms. Maura is accredited through the Global Network of People Living with HIV (GNP+).

² Canon Gideon, a citizen of Uganda, is accredited by the World Council of Churches.