

**MEDIA ADVISORY**

## **UN Secretary-General to launch state-of-the-world report on poverty, health, education and the environment 9 June at UN**

A status report prepared by 25 UN agencies and international organizations on reaching the internationally endorsed Millennium Development Goals will be issued Thursday, 9 June, at 11:45 a.m. in Room S-226 at United Nations headquarters in New York. UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan will address the media at the briefing on Thursday.

*The Millennium Development Goals Report 2005* presents in 44 pages the most up-to-date data available for the eight goals and 18 related targets, on income poverty, health, education and gender equality; environmental sustainability and slums; and on trade, aid and debt. Statistics are compiled and calibrated by an inter-agency board representing UN agencies with global field operations; international bodies such as the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development and the Inter-Parliamentary Union, and ministries of national governments.

The annual review of MDG progress, coordinated by the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs, is upgraded in presentation in 2005 due to the year's strategic nature. Five years after adoption of the Millennium Declaration, which enunciated the MDGs, and a decade before most of the goals and targets come due in 2015, the General Assembly will review progress on all areas of the Millennium Declaration at its September session, attended by Heads of State and Government.

In his report *In larger freedom*, the Secretary-General challenges Member States to take decisions and make commitments in September on a far-ranging agenda of international progress.

**All materials in the report are under embargo until 12 noon New York time, 9 June.**

Reporters without UN credentials who wish to attend should fax a letter of assignment to 212-963-4642, and follow-up with a call to UN Media Accreditation, at 212-963-7164 or 963-6934.

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