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A Decade of Recognition for the Contributions, Achievements and Challenges of People of African Descent Worldwide

Wednesday, 21 March 2018
International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
United Nations Headquarters, New York
Conference Building, ECOSOC Chamber
1:15 pm - 2:30 pm


WELCOMING REMARKS
Mr. Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
Ms. Narjess Saidane, Permanent Observer, International Organization of La Francophonie to the United Nations
H.E. Mr. Mauro Vieira, Permanent Representative of Brazil to the United Nations
H.E. Mr. Jerry Matthews Matjila, Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations
Ms. Gay McDougall, Member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
Ms. Alexis Bartlett, Youth representative

MUSICAL INTERLUDE
Ms. Susana Baca, Singer-Songwriter and former Minister of Culture of Peru

TESTIMONY
Mr. Gwen Dressaire, Worship Leader, EMCI TV

PANEL DISCUSSION
Ms. Rokhaya Diallo, Writer, Filmmaker, Journalist and TV host
Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, Sr., Founder and President, Rainbow/PUSH Coalition
Ms. Rafaela Silva, Brazilian Judo Olympic Gold Medalist
Ms. Susana Baca, Singer-Songwriter and former Minister of Culture of Peru
Mr. Lilian Thuram, Retired French national team soccer player, Founder of Lilian Thuram Foundation against Racism (TBC)
Ms. Ayo, Nigerian-German singer-songwriter (TBC)

MODERATORS
Ms. E. Tendayi Achiume, UN Special Rapporteur on racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance
Mr. Craig Mokhiber, Director, New York Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights

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