



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

19 May 2008

Excellency,

With regards to the informal thematic debate of the General Assembly on human trafficking, to be held on 3 June 2008 in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, please find enclosed the draft programme.

I would like to inform you that the Deputy Secretary-General, H.E. Ms. Asha-Rose Migiro, will address the meeting and that H.E. Dr. Anwar Gargash, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of United Arab Emirates, and Ms. Ashley Judd, actress and philanthropist, will be the keynote speakers.

As previously announced, the thematic debate will comprise two panel discussions, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Following the panel presentations, Member States as well as representatives from the private sector, civil society, NGOs and the United Nations system will have the opportunity to exchange views on how to most effectively address human trafficking.

Given the informal character of the debate there will be no established list of speakers and interventions will be limited to a maximum of 3 minutes.

I very much look forward to your participation in this important event.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Srgjan Kerim', written over a printed name.

Srgjan Kerim

All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York



GENERAL ASSEMBLY THEMATIC DEBATE ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Trusteeship Council Chamber
United Nations Headquarters New York
3 June, 2008

10.00 – 10.15am:

Opening address by **H.E. Mr. Srgjan Kerim**, the President of the United Nations General Assembly

Address by **H.E. Ms. Asha-Rose Migiros**, the Deputy Secretary General of the United Nations

10.15 – 10.35am:

Keynote speech by **H.E. Dr. Anwar Gargash**, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, United Arab Emirates

Keynote speech by **Ms. Ashley Judd**, Actress and Philanthropist

10.35am – 1pm:

Panel 1: Enhancing multilateral cooperation to prevent trafficking in persons

Moderator: **Mr. Antonio Maria Costa**, Executive Director of United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

- **Ms. Kyung-wha Kang**, Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
- **Ambassador Mark Lagon**: Director of the United States State Department's Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons
- **Mr. Roger Plant**, Head, Special Action Programme to Combat Forced Labour, International Labour Organisation
- **Ms. Marilyn Carlson Nelson**, The Carlson Companies, Chairman and CEO
- **Mr. Tom Ehr**, Executive Director of the MTV Europe Foundation

3.00 – 5.45pm:

Panel 2: Protecting victims of trafficking and cross-border cooperation in prosecuting traffickers in persons

Moderator: **Ms. Maud de Boer-Buquicchio**, Deputy Secretary-General of the Council of Europe

- **H.E. Mr. Fernando Bustamante**, Minister of Government for Internal Issues of the Republic of Ecuador
- **H.E. Ms. Natalia Petkevich**, Deputy Head, Administration of the President of the Republic of Belarus
- **Mrs. Ndioro Ndiaye**, Deputy Director General of International Organization for Migration
- **Ms. Ruchira Gupta**, Executive Director of Apne Aap Women Worldwide (India)

5.45 – 6pm:

Closing remarks by **H.E. Mr. Srgjan Kerim**, the President of the United Nations General Assembly