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The DPI/NGO Section invites you to an

NGO Briefing

to provide

An Overview of the 61st Session of the General Assembly

on

12 October 2006

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

at the

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

Background Information:

The briefing will look at the outcomes and recommendations of the general debate of the 61st Session of the General Assembly, including the High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development and the High-level Meeting on the Least Developed Countries. Under the theme of “Implementing a Global Partnership for Development”, the general debate generated ideas and suggestions to create funding for development, also from the private sector. Other issues on the agenda included the situation in the Middle East, Sudan, and Iran; the Peacebuilding Commission, and the Human Rights Council.

Speakers:

During the panel discussion from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 p.m., **Anwarul K. Chowdhury**, High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States; **Christopher Coleman**, Chief, Policy Planning and Mediation Support Unit, Department of Political Affairs; **Gail Bindley-Taylor Sainte**, Spokeswoman for the President of the General Assembly; and **Gregory Maniatis**, Special

Adviser to the Special Representative on Migration, Peter Sutherland, will offer their insights into what happened during the general debate as well as the two high-level meetings.

Representatives of NGOs will be able to ask questions during a Q and A session.

At 10:00 a.m. a topic-related video will be screened.

A live webcast of the event may be available at www.un.org/dpi/ngosection.

For more information on the sixty-first Session of the General Assembly, please visit:
<http://www.un.org/ga/61/>

Preview of next week's briefing:

The theme for the 19 October briefing is “Approaches to Prevention of Intergenerational Transmission of Hate, War and Violence”. This full-day event will be divided into a regular DPI/NGO briefing in the morning and a town hall meeting in the afternoon, organized by the International Psychoanalytical Association. Speakers at the regular morning briefing **H.E. Mr. Augustine P. Mahiga**, Permanent Representative of the United Republic of Tanzania to the United Nations; **Ms. Radhika Coomaraswamy**, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict; and **Dr. Cláudio Eizirk**, President of the International Psychoanalytical Association will share their diverse experiences and look at the role psychoanalysis can play in managing intergenerational transmission of hatred and violence.

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