

MEDIA ADVISORY

President of the General Assembly Hosts Special Cultural Event In Support of UN Women And Celebrating the Sixty-Sixth Presidency of the GA

New York, Wednesday, 6 June 2012

WHEN: 7 pm (doors open at 6.30 pm) – 8.30 pm, Wednesday, 6th June 2012

WHERE: General Assembly Hall

WHO: Featuring the Qatar Philharmonic Orchestra

Attending/Participating:

- Secretary-General, Ban Ki-moon,
- UN Women Executive Director, Dr. Michelle Bachelet,
- Top Diplomats,
- UN Goodwill Ambassadors Mira Sorvinio and Nicole Kidman,
- World renowned Opera star Jessye Norman,
- World-acclaimed Lebanese Fashion Designer Reem Acra
- Distinguished Philanthropist Francine LeFrak, and
- Other prominent figures.

WHY: It is estimated that as many as six out of every ten women worldwide have experienced physical or sexual violence and UN Women, the youngest member of the UN family, manages the UN Trust Fund to End Violence Against Women which provides grants to local initiatives around the world to address this pandemic of violence. This special concert is part of efforts by the President of the General Assembly to raise more awareness of the UN Trust Fund, (established by General Assembly Resolution 50/166 in 1996 and managed by UN Women) and also celebrate the Sixty-Sixth presidency of the General Assembly.

For further information on this special event, please contact:

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For more information on UN Women and the UN Trust Fund to End Violence Against Women, see: <http://www.unwomen.org/how-we-work/un-trust-fund/>