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Prime Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis to attend the 2011 High Level Meeting on AIDS

Geneva, 26 April 2011—The Prime Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis, Dr Denzil Douglas, will attend the United Nations General Assembly High Level Meeting on AIDS, a gathering of global leaders in New York City from 8-10 June 2011. Dr Douglas has lead responsibility for health and HIV within the Caribbean Community.

“Prime Minister Douglas’ pledge to attend the June meeting sends an important message that Saint Kitts and Nevis is committed to reenergizing the global AIDS movement, together with other world leaders,” said UNAIDS Executive Director Michel Sidibé.

In 2001, United Nations Member States came together for the first historic meeting on HIV, the UN General Assembly Special Session on HIV/AIDS. At the follow-up review in 2006, the High Level Meeting on AIDS, Member States committed to pursue all efforts to achieve the goal of universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support.

The High Level Meeting in June 2011 will provide an important platform for UN Member States to evaluate achievements and gaps in the global HIV response and shape the future course of the epidemic.

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