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World Malaria Day 2008 NGOS, BUSINESSES AND TRADE UNIONS AIM TO WORK TOGETHER FOR A MALARIA FREE WORLD

On the first World Malaria Day, We, the Trades Union Congress, International Business Leaders' Forum, Nigerian Organisation of Women, African Women's Welfare Association and the malaria community in the UK:

Are deeply concerned that the malaria pandemic, through its devastating human and economic impact constitutes one of the greatest threats to human health and economic development in many parts of the world;

Note with grave concern that malaria kills up to 3 million people affects up to 500 million people each year, and that nearly 2 billion people are at risk of contracting malaria in Africa and Asia;

Note with concern that malaria costs endemic countries 1.3% of GDP annually in lost productivity, which translates an annual loss of \$12 billion for the entire African continent;

Note with concern that 72% of businesses in Sub-Saharan Africa are affected by malaria, either directly or indirectly;

Note with concern the impact of malaria on other key sectors of society, in particular education, by being responsible for up to 50% of all absenteeism due to ill health and remaining an important cause of mortality (10-20% of total) and morbidity to school-aged children in Africa;

Are concerned that the continuing malaria pandemic constitutes a serious obstacle to the realisation of the Millennium Development Goals;

Note that despite increased resources, it is estimated that \$3.2 billion per year is needed to achieve malaria control; and that funding for malaria must be long-term and sustained;

Call for an urgent, coordinated and sustained response to the malaria pandemic;

Urge for more investment in public health services and the need for unions and employers to negotiate workplace approaches to malaria.

Call for strong leadership at all levels of society and for the mobilisation and commitments for action by all UK civil society stakeholders in the response to malaria;

Urge for more businesses, trade unions and civil society organisations to join the fight against malaria in the UK.

We are working together for a Malaria Free World

1. Olive Boles, International Business Leaders Forum
2. Gail Cartmail, Trades Union Congress
3. Martha Osamor, Nigerian Organisation of Women/ African Women's Welfare Association
4. Edwin Nichols, World AIDS Campaign
5. Andrew Jack, Financial Times
6. Justine Frain, Glaxo Smith Kline
7. Stephen O'Brien MP, Parliament



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8. Sunil Mehra, Malaria Consortium
9. Kathrin Bauer, International Business Leaders Forum
10. Christine Chinaka
11. Evelyn Osaji, Nigerian Organisation of Women /African Women's Welfare Association
12. Grace Nwodi
13. Yemi Akiwumi, AFSSO
14. Lucky Mene, Nigerian Organisation of Women
15. Beverley Hall, Prospect
16. Margaret Burr, Humanities Education Centre
17. Glenn Smith, Nigerian Organisation of Women
18. Susan Dykes, All Party Parliamentary Group on Malaria
19. Justice Acungwire, African Health for Empowerment and Development
20. Sandra Grieve, Royal College of Nursing (RCN) Travel Health Forum
21. Rose Ikolodo
22. Ash Patel, Malaria Consortium
23. Dr Suzanne Wood, Department for International Development
24. Dr A.O. Sule -Odu
25. Patricia Okwara, OUI
26. Jiyeon Han, Malaria Consortium
27. Sheenag Burrell, ALMA
28. Chris Gilbert, Crown Agents
29. Jane Smallman, KMPG
30. Philomena Onyena, OUI
31. Olive Walter, Haringey Law Centre
32. Mohini Venkatesh, Partnership for Child Development, Imperial College
33. Sarah Pickwick, Malaria Consortium
34. Louise Holly, RESULTS
35. Lorraine Dongo, African Women's Welfare Association
36. Rajesh Jariwala, Surat Municipal Corporation
37. Gayatri Jariwala, Surat Municipal Corporation
38. Margaret Obomara, Nigerian Organisation of Women
39. Maureen Okwy, OUI
40. Veronica Onwyemene, Nigerian Organisation of Women
41. Mable Chinka, Nigerian Organisation of Women / African Women's Welfare Association
42. Elizabeth Cocodia, Nurse practitioner, CARE UK
43. Peter Brown, SecureAid
44. Delphine Valette, Malaria Consortium
45. James Laing, Africa Practise
46. Geoff Butcher, Imperial College
47. Erin McCann Drouin
48. Penny Neave, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
49. Sybille Gerstl, Médecins Sans Frontières
50. Prudence Hamade, Médecins Sans Frontières
51. David Alden
52. Christine Kalume, Health Partners International
53. Isha Turay, African Family Services
54. Hilary Vaughan, Crown Agents
55. Kemi Jimoh, Kimpex Enterprises
56. Abi Ogungbesan
57. Dr. Quinton Fivelman, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
58. Ismail Yahaya
59. Paul Crees, AQ+ Plc