Parliamentary Meeting on the occasion of the XIX International AIDS Conference

*AIDS in 2012: What will it take to stop the epidemic?*

United States Capitol Visitor Center
Congressional Meeting Room South
(First Street South East & East Capitol Street)
Washington, D.C., 23 July 2012

2.30 p.m. **Opening of meeting**

*Senator Marleen Temmerman*, Senate of Belgium, Chair of the IPU Advisory Group on HIV/AIDS

*Representative Jim McDermott*, Co-Chair, Congressional HIV/AIDS Caucus, United States Congress

*Ms. Jan Beagle*, Deputy Executive Director of UNAIDS

3.00 p.m. **Translating HIV science into policy and practice: recent breakthroughs**

What are the scientific breakthroughs regarding prevention and treatment? What drives parliamentary agenda-setting on HIV/AIDS today – scientific progress or moral judgements and politics? How can science and policy be combined to respond to political challenges?

*Ms. Annie Lennox*, UNAIDS International Goodwill Ambassador

*Hon. Ryuhei Kawada*, House of Councillors, Japan

*Mr. Joel Nana*, Executive Director, African Men for Sexual Health and Rights

**Moderator:** Senator Marleen Temmerman, Senate of Belgium

4.30 p.m. **Coffee break**

4.45 p.m. **Transforming HIV concerns into laws, budgets and oversight: opportunities for leadership**

How to raise and maintain the profile of HIV in parliament? What are key areas of cross-party collaboration? How to sensitize and energize parliamentarians on protective laws? What forms can parliamentarian leadership take? *Launch of the IPU Guide*

*Hon. Mohsen El-Hazmi*, Consultative Council, Saudi Arabia

*Hon. Pamela Nash*, House of Commons, United Kingdom

**Moderator:** Hon. Libby Davies, House of Commons, Canada

6.15 p.m. **Close of meeting**