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**Parliamentary Meeting on the occasion of the
XX International AIDS Conference
Melbourne, 21 July 2014**

28 May 2014

Dear Madam President,
Dear Mr. President,

The XX International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2014) will be held in Melbourne, Australia, from 20 to 25 July 2014. This event takes place every two years and is one of the largest regular conferences on health and development.

We are pleased to announce that IPU, UNDP and UNAIDS will be holding a Parliamentary Meeting on the occasion of AIDS 2014. The meeting will take place at the State Parliament of Victoria on Monday, 21 July, from 2.30 to 6.30 p.m. Information on the venue location and access can be found at:
<http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au>

The Parliamentary Meeting will provide members of parliament with up-to-date information on issues related to the HIV epidemic, and will serve as a forum for an exchange of views on major issues affecting the AIDS response. We are pleased to attach a concept note for this event. Further information about the Parliamentary Meeting will be posted on www.ipu.org as it becomes available. Please note that the working language of the Parliamentary Meeting will be **English only**.

We hope that you will encourage members of your Parliament and parliamentary staff to attend the Parliamentary Meeting on 21 July. Please find enclosed the registration form, which we invite your Parliament to complete and return to the IPU Secretariat by 4 July 2014 at the latest.

Please note that the Parliamentary Meeting will take place independently of the International AIDS Conference and that registration for it will not grant access to the Conference itself. In order to attend the International AIDS Conference, each delegate will have to register at www.aids2014.org, where helpful information may also be found about hotels and visa requirements. Such logistical matters remain the sole responsibility of participants.

Yours sincerely,

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