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WHAT: Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon will host an International Ebola Recovery Conference on 10 July 2015 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York in cooperation with the Presidents of Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone. The purpose of the conference is to ensure that the Ebola-affected countries receive the support and resources they need to “get to zero, stay at zero and recover”.

The conference will take place in partnership with the African Union, European Union, the World Bank and the African Development Bank. Participants at the high-level event will have an opportunity to pledge support to the National Recovery Strategies and the Mano River Union sub-regional Programme.

The conference is expected to secure international support for the affected countries and the Mano River Union (comprising Côte d’Ivoire, Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone), as well as concrete financial commitments for the implementation of national and regional recovery strategies over a 24-month time frame.

The conference will be preceded by technical consultations on 9 July where the national Recovery Strategies and the Mano River Union sub-regional Programme will be presented.

WHEN: Friday, 10 July 2015; 10:00am – 6:00pm.


SPEAKERS:

- Secretary-General H.E. Ban Ki-moon
- UNDP Administrator Helen Clark
- H.E President Robert Mugabe, President of Zimbabwe, Chair of the African Union
- H.E. Alpha Condé, President of Guinea
- H.E. Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, President of Liberia
- H.E. Ernest Bai Koroma, President of Sierra Leone
- President of the World Bank, Dr. Jim Yong Kim (by video)
- Mr. Janvier Litse, Acting Vice President for Country and Regional Programmes and Policies of the African Development Bank
- Mr. Christos Stylianides, European Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Management,
- Mr. Sayed Aqa, Vice President for Cooperation and Capacity Development Bank, Islamic Development Bank
- Dr. David Nabarro, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General on Ebola
- H.E. Ambassador Olaf Skoog (Sweden), Chairperson of the Peacebuilding Commission

Twitter hashtag: #EbolaResponse
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