

LAUNCHING OF THE UNITED NATIONS STUDY ON VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN

6 March 2007, PAHO, Room A

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Brief background

The former Secretary General of the United Nations (UN), Dr. Kofi Annan, presented the Study on Violence against Children, in October 2006, to the UN Assembly.

The Study was a global effort co-sponsored by UN Office on Human Rights, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the World Health Organization (WHO). It does not only gather reliable and significant information on the issue, but also makes specific recommendations for action to governments and to civil society. It is worth to know that close to 1,800 girls and boys from around the globe participated in this study. I would like to invite you to a presentation by Professor Paulo Sergio Pinheiro, independent expert and main author and coordinator at global scale of this study.

His presentation will be held on 6 March 2007 at 09:00 a.m., at PAHO Headquarters in Washington, D.C. The program (draft) is a two part session:

1. 9:00 a.m. a 10:15 a.m.

- Opening remarks - PAHO
- Prof. Paulo Sergio Pinheiro launches the Study,
- Dr. Teresa Pinilla - UNICEF—co-sponsor of the Study
- Dr. Ileana Arias, Director, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Diseases Prevention and Control, Atlanta, GA.
- Mr. Armand Pereira, Director Washington DC Office, International Labour Organization.
- Comments from PAHO's Deputy Director, Dr. Van-West

10:15-10:45 Coffee break and Press Conference

2. 10:45 a.m. a 12:45 p.m.

- Dr. Matilde Maddaleno, PAHO Regional Advisor on Adolescents and children Interventions that work or do not work to prevent adolescents and youth violence – a joint PAHO and GTZ initiative
- Luis Cardona, DHHS, Montgomery County, MD. Initiatives in violence prevention with young Latin Americans living in the US
- Dr. Caroline Moser, Researcher.
- Angel Saltos, Executive Director. Ricky Martin Foundation Ricky Martin Foundation, Its advocacy role and commitment to eradicate child exploitation.
- Katherine Valdovinos, an 11 years old girl from NGO Barrios Unidos, Falls Church, VA
- Catherine Chen, Save the Children, Trafficking of children
- Q & A from the audience.
- Recommendations, follow-up

Participants are encouraged to bring material and documents for display or distribute. Please advise if you are planning to do so to have enough tables available.

There will be simultaneous interpretation English-Spanish-English.

Webcast to PAHO's offices in the Americas will be available