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***** LETTER FROM THE EDITOR*****

Welcome to the sixteenth issue of Safe Community Weekly News in 2004, the electronic Safe Community Weekly News is edited by the Norwegian Safety Promotion Centre- a WHO CC Affiliated Safe Community Support Centre on behalf of Safe Communities Network.

WHAT IS NEW AT SAFE COMMUNITIES?

In this issue:

CONFERENCE: 13th International Conference on Safe Communities, Czech.

RESOLUTION: UN General Assembly - A resolution on road safety.

NEWSLETTER: Global Campaign for Violence Prevention, No. 4. April 2004.

MEETING: Developing National Policies for Injuries and Violence Prevention, Vienna.

CONFERENCE: The 6th International Society on Child and Adolescent Injury Prevention (ISCAIP) Conference. Vienna, Austria.

13th International Conference on Safe Communities

Prague, Czech Republic

2-4 June 2004

www.13safecomm.com

SCIENTIFIC TOPICS

- Sustainability within Safe Communities
- Development of Safe Communities in Eastern and Central Europe
- Safe Children and Safe Schools
- Safety for Elderly
- Traffic Safety
- The Role of Rescue Service

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Resolution:

UN General Assembly - A resolution on road safety.



Dr LEE Director General WHO handing over the report to President Chirac.

On 14th April 2004 the UN General Assembly in New York passed a resolution on road safety naming WHO as the coordinator of road safety for UN organizations

Improving global road safety

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 57/309 of 22 May 2003 and 58/9 of 5 November 2003, Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the global road safety crisis,

Noting the recommendation contained in the report of the Secretary-General that a coordinating body be identified within the United Nations system to provide support in this field² and the recommendation that the United Nations regional commissions undertake certain activities,

Convinced that responsibility for road safety rests at the local, municipal and national levels,

Recognizing that many developing countries and countries with economies in transition have limited capacities to address these issues, and underlining, in this context, the importance of international cooperation towards further supporting the efforts of, in particular, developing countries to build capacities in the field of road safety and of providing financial and technical support for their efforts,

*Commending the initiative of the Government of France, the World Health Organization and the World Bank in launching the *World report on road traffic injury prevention* in Paris on 7 April 2004, in observance of World Health Day, with the theme “Road safety is no accident”, which contains a number of recommendations,*

Also commending the United Nations regional commissions and their subsidiary bodies for responding to the above-mentioned resolutions and to the report of the Secretary-General,

- 1. Takes note of the recommendations contained in the *World report on road traffic injury prevention*;*
- 2. Invites the World Health Organization, working in close cooperation with the United Nations regional commissions, to act as a coordinator on road safety issues within the United Nations system;*
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General, in submitting his report to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session, in accordance with resolution 58/9, to draw upon the expertise of the United Nations regional commissions, as well as the World Health Organization and the World Bank;*
- 4. Underlines the need for further strengthening international cooperation, taking into account the needs of developing countries, to deal with issues of road safety.*



GLOBAL CAMPAIGN FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION
CAMPAGNE MONDIALE POUR LA PREVENTION DE LA VIOLENCE

Newsletter

Global Campaign for Violence Prevention No. 4 – April 2004

In this edition:

- Milestones of a global campaign for violence prevention
- Country-level initiatives
- Global Interpersonal Violence Prevention Alliance
- Implementing the recommendations of the *World report on violence and health*
- UN collaboration for the prevention of interpersonal violence
- Looking ahead

To view the Global Campaign for Violence Prevention please visit:

http://www.who.int/violence_injury_prevention/violence/global_campaign/campaign/en/

DEVELOPING NATIONAL POLICIES FOR INJURIES AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION

Date: Friday, June 4, 2004

Time: 9.30 to 16.30

Location: Institut Sicher Leben, Vienna, Austria

Objectives: During the Vienna Satellite meeting WHO will present a draft document that should provide decision makers and planners with key elements needed in the process, elaboration, endorsement and implementation of a policy or a plan of action to reduce unintentional and intentional injuries. The aim of the meeting is to discuss the relevance and the content of the document and to define how it could be used in different countries.

Organiser: WHO Injuries and Violence Prevention.

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THE 6TH INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY ON CHILD AND ADOLESCENT INJURY PREVENTION (ISCAIP) CONFERENCE

Date: Saturday, June 5, 2004

Time: 8.30 to 18.00

Location: Austria Center Vienna

Organiser: ISCAIP.

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Document: se ISCAIP form http://www.safety2004.info/pdf/ISCAIP_form.pdf

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