On the occasion of the Special Session on the World Drug Problem

**Invitation**

The Permanent Missions of Australia, Belgium, Ghana, Norway and Panama to the United Nations, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the World Health Organization (WHO), the International Narcotics Control Board (INCB), and the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) request the pleasure of your company at the side event

**Addressing global disparities in access to controlled substances for medical purposes, with focus on treatment and pain relief**

1:30pm – 2:30pm
Wednesday 20 April 2016
Conference Room 4, UN Headquarters

**Speakers include:**
The Hon. Ken Wyatt AM, Assistant Minister for Health and Aged Care, Government of Australia (chair)
Mr Werner Sipp, President, the International Narcotics Control Board
Dr. Miguel Mayo, Vice Minister of Health, the Republic of Panama
Dr Marie-Paule Kieny, Assistant Director General, World Health Organization
Professor Mary Gospodarowicz, Immediate-Past President, Union for International Cancer Control
The Hon. Mr Bent Høie, Minister of Health and Care Services, Government of Norway
H.E. Mr Willem Van de Voorde, Permanent Representative of Belgium to the UN in Vienna
Mr Aldo Lale-Demoz, Deputy Executive Director, the UN Office on Drugs and Crime

Kindly RSVP by Tuesday, 19 April, via: [http://goo.gl/forms/DUzKcmXLY3](http://goo.gl/forms/DUzKcmXLY3)

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