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**RE: DOCUMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM
ON THE HUMAN RIGHT TO HEALTH**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Herewith we are very pleased to announce that the documentation of the **International Symposium on the Human Right to Health**, which was held on May 4th 2010 in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, is now available.

The meeting was organized jointly by the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, the Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences and the Tanzanian German Programme to Support Health. It brought together key stakeholders and experts from national and international arena to advance the Human Right to Health. Within the framework of health-related rights the symposium covered a wide range of topics, including comprehensive primary health care, access to HIV prevention and care for all, medical ethics, human resources for health, rights of health workers and universal coverage through social health insurance.

The report provides a comprehensive summary about the dialogue surrounding the core elements of the Human Right to Health, particularly accessibility, availability, acceptability and quality of health services, which were discussed during the sessions from various angles. It points out that a rights-based perspective has to be integrated in the Tanzanian health sector reform processes in order to develop an effective health system considering limited financial and human resources.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all participants who contributed to the success of the meeting and all partners and stakeholders for their continuous cooperation.

I hope that the symposium has given an impetus to all stakeholders to continue elaborating on health-related rights in Tanzania.

With kind regards,

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