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LAUNCH OF THE 2006 STATE OF THE WORLD POPULATION REPORT

Addis Ababa, August 29, 2006 - The African Union Commission and UNFPA are jointly organizing the launch of the 2006 State of the World Population Report, on September 6, 2006 starting at 16 hours at the Plenary Conference Hall of the African Union Commission in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

The theme of this year's World Population is "**A Passage to Hope: Women and International Migration...**(Please find the programme of the event herewith enclosed).

National and International media are, therefore, invited to cover this important event.

N.B. A press conference will be held at 17.30 hours.