



**Comprehensive Review of progress towards targets set out in the  
Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS  
31 May- 2 June 2006**

**Accreditation of Civil Society Participants**

Further to the 13 December 2005 letter of the President of the General Assembly (GA) on civil society participation<sup>1</sup>, this is to clarify that there are four ways for civil society organizations to be accredited to the 31 May-2 June Review:

1. Civil society organizations that are accredited to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC) will be able to register and secure accreditation through the Non-Governmental Organizations Section of the United Nations Secretariat. ECOSOC accredited organizations are encouraged to confirm their interest in participating in the meeting by 30 March 2006 with the Non-Governmental Organizations Section of the United Nations Secretariat at [desangosection@un.org](mailto:desangosection@un.org) providing information on the number of representatives expected to attend the meeting. Registration will permit attendance at the meetings, and facilitate consideration for participation in the round tables of the meeting.
2. Member States and Observers have also been invited to include civil society and private sector representatives in their national delegations to the meeting. Non-ECOSOC accredited civil society representatives are encouraged to negotiate participation as part of a country delegation.
3. NGO members of the UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board may participate in accordance with operational paragraph 7 of GA Resolution A/RES/60/224.
4. To facilitate further attendance by civil society organizations, the Office of the GA President will draw up a list of additional civil society organizations to be invited. UNAIDS is currently receiving nominations for consideration by the Office of the GA President. The deadline for nominations is 3 February 2006. Only organizations who have sent in a nomination form and who are not in any of the above categories will qualify for consideration. Nomination forms are available from the UNAIDS website [www.unaids.org](http://www.unaids.org) or by emailing UNAIDS at [csp@unaids.org](mailto:csp@unaids.org). After the closing date all nomination forms will be reviewed to check that they are from bona fide organizations working on AIDS by a panel that includes NGO representatives to the UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board. A tentative list of civil society organizations will then be forwarded to the Office of the President of the GA for his consideration. The GA President, after appropriate consultations with Member States, will circulate the list for consideration by the GA on a non-objection basis not later than 15 February 2006.

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<sup>1</sup> Copies of the documents referred to in this note are available from [csp@unaids.org](mailto:csp@unaids.org)