## WARNING: CONFIDENCE SCHEMES AND SCAMS—EMPLOYMENT MATTERS

Fake vacancy announcements have been circulated in the name of <u>UNAIDS</u> via non-United Nations websites and emails that imitate UNAIDS email addresses. In some cases, correspondence has been falsely signed in the name of real UNAIDS officials, asking would-be applicants to part with personal documents or money.

UNAIDS posts job vacancies only at erecruit.unaids.org.

Please disregard any emails, or non-United Nations websites, purporting to announce UNAIDS job vacancies.

UNAIDS is aware of various schemes being circulated via email, mail or fax falsely stating that they are issued by or associated with the United Nations.

These schemes may seek to extract money or personal information from the recipients of such correspondence. Such schemes are fraudulent.

The schemes consist of letters, sent either via email, fax or mail, that appear as proposals from people purporting to be officials of UNAIDS. The correspondence and other documents, email addresses and websites look like they originate from UNAIDS (e.g. they may contain the UNAIDS logo).

The schemes, which have no connection whatsoever with UNAIDS or the United Nations system, take many forms. New schemes are appearing with increasing frequency. Such scams include employment scams—offers of employment or job openings with requests for payment of fees are fraudulent. The scammers' request for the payment of fees may come only after you have accepted the fraudulent offer. UNAIDS does not charge a fee at any stage of the recruitment process (application, interview, meeting, processing, training or any other fee). UNAIDS does not concern itself with information on bank accounts. Any request for payment or information should be refused and reported to the local law enforcement authorities for appropriate action and to UNAIDS for its information.

Invitations to email interviews are fraudulent. UNAIDS does not conduct interviews via email.

THE USE OF UNAIDS' NAME AND EMBLEM OR OTHER NAMES OR INDICIA IN THESE SCHEMES IS UNAUTHORIZED AND ILLEGAL. THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES WILL BE INFORMED OF ANY SUCH ACTIVITIES THAT UNAIDS BECOMES AWARE OF FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THOSE AUTHORITIES.

EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE EXERCISED IN RELATION TO ANY SUSPICIOUS COMMUNICATION, AS FINANCIAL LOSS AND IDENTITY THEFT COULD RESULT FROM THE SENDING OF MONEY OR PERSONAL INFORMATION TO THOSE ISSUING SUCH FRAUDULENT CORRESPONDENCE.

If you become aware of suspicious job openings or offers of employment, kindly bring this to UNAIDS' attention using the following email address: <a href="mailto:fraudreporting@unaids.org">fraudreporting@unaids.org</a>.