

Statement

Omololu Falobi

Geneva, 9 October 2006 – One of UNAIDS closest and most active civil society partners, Omololu Falobi, has been killed after being caught up in an armed robbery in Lagos, Nigeria, on his way home from a speaking engagement to promote social responsibility.

Omololu, Executive Director of Journalists Against AIDS, has served on UNAIDS Programme Coordination Board as NGO delegate for Africa and was a founder member of the Africa Civil Society Coalition.

Numerous tributes received at UNAIDS refer to Omololu's dedication, tremendous energy, passion and warm-hearted good nature.

UNAIDS Executive Director, Dr Peter Piot, said: "His contributions to the fight against AIDS in Nigeria, Africa and globally are immense, and his life and death should inspire us to do more, and do it boldly. Omololu will remain with us in our day-to-day work and in our long-term battles."

Omololu leaves a wife and two young children.

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