

LIFTING THE VOICES OF SURVIVORS United Nations High-level Week

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Sierra Leone and the Global Collaborative

cordially invite you to join us as we

Commemorate the 18 November UN World Day for the Prevention of, and Healing from Child Sexual Exploitation, Abuse, and Violence

Learn strategies all Member States can take to protect children and bring healing to survivors of childhood sexual abuse

SEPTEMBER 19, 1:15PM – 2:30PM

United Nations HQ, Conference Room 4



Featuring a musical performance by Darwin Hobbs, Award-winning American gospel music singer, Adult Survivor, singing "Heroes"



Keynote Address **H.E. Fatima Maada Bio,** First Lady of the Republic of Sierra Leone Founder of Hands off our Girls Special Tribute



Accompanied by Burak Besir, Internationally acclaimed and award-winning flutist, instrumentalist, and composer of "Heroes"

OVERVIEW

This program aims to highlight the critical path and key milestones required to protect children from sexual exploitation and abuse, both on-line and in their communities; to share the progress nations are making in achieving child sexual abuse, zero-tolerance policies; to inform the audience on the impact of child sexual abuse to victims, and their families, and actions governments can take to support their healing so they may restore their lives.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

H.E., Fatima Maada Bio, First Lady of the Republic of Sierra Leone

MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

Darwin Hobbs, American Gospel Music Singer Accompanied by **Burak Besir**, *Flutist and Composer*

SPECIAL REMARKS

H.E., Julius Maada Bio, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone H.E., Cardinal Sean O'Malley, President of the Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors Anwar Khan, President, Islamic Relief, USA Najat Maalla M'jid, U.N. Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence Against Children Gioia Scappucci, Lanzarote Committee Executive Secretary Joanna Heimbold, Board Member Childhood USA Andrew Morley, President, and CEO of World Vision Sara Ahmad, Chairperson, Child Protection and Welfare Bureau Government of the Punjab

PRESENTATION

Special Tribute to the United Nations General Assembly by Survivors of Child Sexual Violence Leaders of the Global Collaborative Jennifer Wortham, Sara Deker, Nadia Jamil, Mark Williams, and Suzie Greco









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