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## INFORMATION CIRCULAR

To: All members of the staff

From: The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management

Subject: BOOKLET ON AIDS AND HIV INFECTION: INFORMATION FOR UNITED NATIONS EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILIES

- 1. As we commemorate World AIDS Day 1995, I am pleased to advise you of the publication in English, French and Spanish of a booklet entitled <u>AIDS and HIV Infection: Information for United Nations Employees and Their Families</u>. The booklet contains a foreword by the Secretary-General, the United Nations HIV/AIDS personnel policy and a reprint of the World Health Organization publication of the same title.  $\underline{1}/$
- 2. The booklet is currently being distributed desk to desk to members of the Secretariat world wide and it is hoped that you will receive a copy by this means shortly. Staff members are encouraged to read the booklet carefully and to share the important information it contains with family and friends. As experience has shown, increased knowledge and understanding about the disease can go far in calming fears, in preventing the spread of the disease and, perhaps most importantly, encouraging support for and protection of the human rights and dignity of co-workers and colleagues challenged by the disease.

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<sup>1/</sup> The booklet <u>AIDS and HIV Infection: Information for United Nations</u>
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