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## SENEGAL TO PRESENT TAPESTRY TO UNITED NATIONS

Abdu Diouf, Prime Minister of Senegal, will present a tapestry to the United Nations tomorrow on behalf of the Government and people of Senegal.

The presentation will take place at 10:20 a.m. in the West Foyer. The Secretary-General, U Thant, will receive the gift on behalf of the United Nations.

The tapestry is a new work by the Senegalese artist, Papa Ibra Tall. It was commissioned from the artist by the Government of Senegal as a gift to the Organization. Its title, "Maaggala Tuubaa", means pilgrimage to Touba. The pilgrimage an annual gathering to celebrate the return of the religious leader of the Fraternity (Confrerie) of the Maurides, bring together thousands of Muslims.

The tapestry is four metres by six metres and weighs 25 kilogrammes.