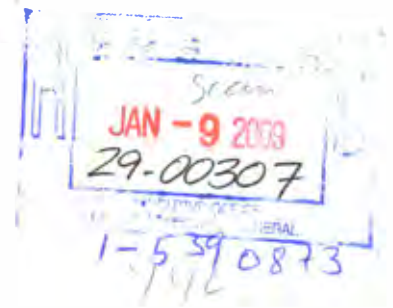




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Mr. Ban Ki-moon
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Dear Secretary General Ki-moon,

It is my pleasure to invite you to attend "Turning Pain to Power in the Congo" on Wednesday, February 11 at the 92nd Street Y. This very special event features Dr. Denis Mukwege in conversation with Eve Ensler. Dr. Denis Mukwege is the founder and director of Panzi General Reform Hospital in Bukavu, South Kivu, Democratic Republic of the Congo, where he performs life-saving fistula surgeries for women who have been brutally raped and mutilated in the Congolese war. On December 10 2008, United Nations Human Rights Day, Dr. Mukwege was awarded the 2008 United Nations Human Rights Prize for his tireless efforts.

Eve Ensler is a playwright, performer and activist. She is the award-winning author of *The Vagina Monologues*, which has been published in 45 languages and performed in over 120 countries. She is also the founder/artistic director of V-Day. V-Day is a not-for-profit organization that generates broader attention for the fight to stop violence against women and girls, including rape, battery, incest, female genital mutilation (FGM) and sexual slavery.

Together with V-Day, the global movement to end violence against women, and UNICEF, Mr. Mukwege is working to build the City of Joy, a safe community for survivors of sexual violence healed at Panzi. Ensler interviews Mukwege about how to stop the ongoing violence against women, and discusses what life is like for women in the Congo.

We are pleased to offer you, your family and staff a 20% discount to this exciting event. We very much hope you will be interested in attending and/or supporting this event. If you could publicize it to your community in New York, I'd be grateful. I thank you in advance for your assistance and kind attention to a matter that no doubt will be close to both our hearts. Feel free to contact me at 212.415.5473. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

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