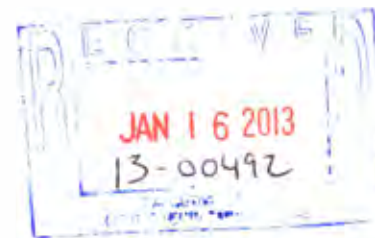
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16 January 2013

Dear Secretary-General BAN,

As you know, UNFPA in collaboration with the African Union is organizing a high level event on the Campaign to Reduce Maternal Mortality in Africa (CARMMA) on 27 January from 1.00 - 3.00 p.m., during the African Union Summit in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

(not recd) I would like to reiterate the invitation extended to you by the African Union to deliver the opening remarks at this high level event. In support of Every Woman, Every Child and given your outstanding leadership and experience on maternal and new-born health in Africa, your presence at this event will be greatly valued.

The high level event will be hosted by His Excellency, Mr. Boni Yayi, Chairperson of the African Union and President of the Republic of Benin, the African Union Commission and UNFPA, and will be attended by Heads of States from African countries.

My colleagues will contact your office to follow up.

Yours sincerely,


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