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The Challenge of Avian Flu
Strategies for an Impending Pandemic

April 20, 2006

Join us for this important program featuring the
leading experts on this impending world-wide crisis

Church Center for the United Nations
777 United Nations Plaza
First Avenue and 44th Street, 2nd floor
(Please use 44th Street entrance)

6:00 pm Reception
6:30 pm Program
7:15 pm Q&A

SPEAKERS

Dr. David Nabarro
Senior UN System, Coordinator for Avian and Human Influenza

John Rennie
Editor-in-Chief, Scientific American magazine

Since 2003 more than 170 human cases of avian flu have been reported, and almost 100 were fatal. The H5N1 strain of flu—avian flu—has led to the killing of millions of birds in more than 30 countries. Health officials fear that a mutation of the flu, passing from birds to humans, could trigger a pandemic killing millions.

Dr. David Nabarro will address the UN system’s plans to make an effective and coordinated contribution to the global effort to control the epidemic of avian influenza. John Rennie will address the scientific challenge of avian flu—how an ailment in birds can become a lethal threat to humans, and the difficulties of preventing or controlling such a disease.

Note: UNA-USA’s Spring 2006 issue of The Interdependent carries an in-depth story on Dr. Nabarro.