



Executive Director

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Ms Ane Halsboe-Jorgensen Chairman Social Democratic Party Copenhagen Denmark

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Dear Ms Halsboe-Jorgensen,

I would like to thank you for meeting with Annie Lennox and I during our visit to Copenhagen. We greatly appreciated your interest in the longstanding partnership between Denmark and UNAIDS. We count on your continuous commitment to ultimately end the AIDS epidemic as a public health threat by 2030.

Today, more than 36 million people are living with HIV while AIDS remains the largest cause of mortality for women of reproductive age globally and in Africa. We can prevent 21 million AIDS-related deaths and 28 million new HIV infections by 2030 with the necessary financial support.

I would like to reiterate that your voice and commitment are crucial to ensure we can continue to focus on the most sensitive and controversial drivers of the HIV epidemic. Scaled-up action is necessary to address the specific barriers faced by adolescents, young girls and vulnerable populations.

In this regard I hope that amidst budgetary challenges, Denmark will reconfirm its strong support to UNAIDS where Danish leadership has proven so important.

I look forward to our continued partnership to save lives.

Yours sincerely,

cc: Mr Morten Villumsen, Secretary to the Foreign Affairs Committee Mrs Amalie Andresen, Assistant to the Foreign Affairs Committee

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