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## Invitation to press conference Launch of new Amnesty International report on rape in Nigeria, Tues 28 Nov 2006, Lagos

Amnesty International will hold a press conference in Lagos to launch a new report '*Nigeria: Rape the Silent Weapon*'

The report reveals disturbing evidence of widespread rape and sexual violence against women and girls at the hands of the Nigerian police and security forces, highlighting the consistent failure of the Nigerian Federal and State authorities to provide justice to victims. The report is based on extensive interviews with survivors.

**When:** 28 November 2006, 11.00 local time

**Where:** Sheraton hotel, 30 Mobolaji Bank Anthony Way P.O. Box 21189, Airport Road, Ikeja, Lagos. Phone: (234)(1) 4978660

### Available for interview

Audrey Gaughrain, Amnesty International's researcher on Nigeria

Javier Surroca, Amnesty International's campaigner for Nigeria

Ulrika Sandberg, author of the report

Representatives from local organizations the Women's Aid Collective (WACOL) and Women Advocates Research and Documentation Centre (WARDC)

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