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Amnesty International - Millennium Development Goals Summit

World leaders have failed more than a billion of the world's poorest people. Governments have ignored, and at worst abused, their human rights while delivering the Millennium Development Goals [MDGs].

Amnesty International's delegation to the UN's MDG Summit in New York [20-22 September] will be calling on governments to commit to upholding the human rights of the world's poorest people.

The delegation is led by Amnesty International's Secretary General, Salil Shetty, an expert on poverty and human rights.

If you are interested in an interview or briefing with Amnesty International's experts on the MDGs, including on maternal health, gender discrimination and slums please contact:

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Spokespeople will be available both at the MDG summit in New York and in London.

Further information:

Campaign Events

Amnesty International activists will be staging protests around the world, including a flagship event in New York's Times Square on 20 September, which will feature a *Maternal Death Clock* – a giant digital clock that counts maternal deaths around the globe while world leaders are meeting.

The clock will begin at 5,317,280 – the number of women who have died since the Millennium Declaration was adopted on September 8, 2000. Around 3,700 women and girls will die during the Summit.

Salil Shetty

Salil Shetty joined Amnesty International as the organization's eighth Secretary General in July 2010.

Prior to joining Amnesty International, Salil Shetty was the Director of the United Nations Millennium Campaign from 2003 to 2010. Under his leadership the Millennium Campaign grew into a powerful global campaigning force, supporting citizens in their efforts to hold

governments to account for the achievement of the MDGs.

From Promises to Delivery

Amnesty International's report *From Promises to Delivery* outlines crucial steps governments can take to deliver meaningful progress on the MDGs over the next five years. To request a copy of the report please email tom.mackey@amnesty.org