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## **Amnesty International's Secretary General to visit Burundi**

In her first high level mission to Africa, Amnesty International's new Secretary General Irene Khan will visit Burundi from 22 - 26 September 2002 to discuss human rights protection and promotion in Burundi and in the Great Lakes region.

Since Irene Khan became Secretary General of the world's largest human rights organization in August 2001, she has led high level missions to each of the other continents, except Africa. She is the first woman, first Asian and first Muslim to head the million-strong movement.

The Secretary General hopes to meet and open dialogue with government ministers and Members of Parliament, representatives of human rights and refugee groups. While there, she will also launch a report on juvenile justice in Burundi.

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