Top UN Human Resources Management Officials to Speak about Employment Opportunities with the United Nations

Event: A Lecture by Catherine Pollard, UN Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management

Theme: “Serving the United Nations for a Better World”

Date/Time: 26 February 2009 (Thursday), 6:00–8:00 PM

Venue: U Thant International Conference Hall (3F), United Nations University Headquarters, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo

Organizers: Japan Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA), United Nations University (UNU), and United Nations Information Centre (UNIC)

- A United Nations Secretariat Recruitment Mission, led by Catherine Pollard, Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management, is visiting Japan this month. Assistant Secretary-General Pollard will use this opportunity to deliver a public lecture entitled “Serving the United Nations for a Better World”.

- Her lecture will be followed by presentations on employment opportunities at the UN by John Ericson, Outreach Unit Chief, UN Office of Human Resources Management, and Susan Huntington, Outreach Coordinator, UN Department of Field Support for Peacekeeping Operations.

- Two Japanese nationals — Ken Inoue, Director of the Governance Support Unit, UN Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste (UNMIT), and Mihoko Itoh, Outreach Unit, UN Office of Human Resources Management — will then report on their experience at the frontline of United Nations fieldwork.

- Opening and closing remarks will be presented by, respectively, Govindan Paryil, Vice-Rector, UNU, and Shigeyuki Hiroki, Deputy Director-General, Foreign Policy Bureau, MoFA.

- This event represents a valuable opportunity for people in Japan who are interested in a career with the United Nations to hear directly from senior UN human resources management officials as well as from Japanese nationals now working with the UN.

- The event will be conducted in English (no interpretation will be provided). For those unable to attend, it will be webcast live (and archived) at http://c3.unu.edu/unuvideo/?232

- Pre-registration is required. Please send your application to UNIC Tokyo (event@untokyo.jp) by 10:00 AM on Wednesday, 25 February. You will be sent an e-mail entry pass that must be printed and presented at the reception desk.

- For enquiries, please contact UNIC Tokyo (event@untokyo.jp; tel. 03-5467-4451).

For more information about this event, or to reserve a space, media representatives may contact Naoko Yano, UNU Office of Communications (tel: 03–5467–1311; e-mail: media@unu.edu).