



## **60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED NATIONS**

### **In the name of "Development and Reform"**

The sixtieth anniversary of the United Nations carries the theme "Development and the Reform". In order to assess progress made in achieving the objectives of the Millennium Development Goals, Heads of State and Government have met from 14 to 16 September 2005 in New York.

### **Objectives of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGS)**

The Millennium Development Goals are intended to ...

- Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger
- Achieve universal primary education
- Promote gender equality and empower women
- Reduce child mortality
- Improve maternal health
- Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases
- Ensure environmental sustainability
- Develop a global partnership for development

### **Activities in Geneva**

In addition to the public concert by Youssou N'dour & Friends, a number of major events will take place in Geneva up to 24 October 2005; in particular, public exhibitions, various concerts and a seminar on the future of the United Nations, as well as a walking tour of the principal sites of "Geneva international".

### **Choice of Youssou N'Dour to organize the concert**

Youssou N'dour chose to devote a part of his 2005 schedule to the fight against malaria, one of the Millennium Development Goals. The artist is a Goodwill Ambassador for UNICEF, "Roll Back Malaria" Partnership Special Envoy and Honorary Ambassador of the Campaign against Child Labour. Several other internationally renowned artists will join him to raise awareness of the reality of and fight against malaria.