

27 June 2003

Dear Mr. Ilic,

**INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT
TRAFFICKING**

On behalf of the United Nations Resident Coordinator, Mr Francis O'Donnell, in Serbia & Montenegro, it is my honour and pleasure to thank you for your collaboration at the Drugs Awareness Workshop in Belgrade marking of the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking.

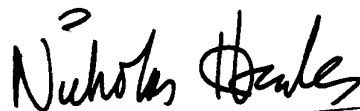
The Workshop for Young People held yesterday was a tremendous success -- "super" replied one of the teenagers when asked how it was -- and it can be viewed on Pink TV on Saturday 28 June at 1900.

The need to continue the fight against every aspect of the drug trade was brought home to us all yesterday with the discovery of large quantities of heroin near the Bulgarian border crossing. Whilst the Balkan Route remains one of the main conduits for transiting drugs, and the profits involved are huge, we all must redouble our efforts to stamp out the trade and its disastrous effect on human lives.

For assisting the United Nations in raising awareness of these real dangers, we thank you deeply and trust that we are all a little better informed to "talk about drugs" with our friends, family and colleagues.

I wish you well in the future and look forward to learning more on the success of Anti-Drugs Association's radio awareness campaign, and other anti-drug activities.

Yours sincerely,



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