The United Nations Information Service (UNIS) Vienna,

in cooperation with Frauenhäuser Wien, UN Women’s Guild, Vienna NGO Committee on the Status of Women, and the 1st Women’s Chamber Orchestra of Austria,

invite you

to the observance of the

International Day for the Elimination of violence against women

on Thursday, **25 November 2010, 12:15 – 13:20 hrs**

Vienna International Centre (VIC), Multimedia Room (G0545)

**Pre-Programme for participating school classes:**

09:00 - 10:00  Introduction on forms and results of violence in family situation (in particular on children and youth), the life in a women’s house, and the situation of children and youth (in German)

10:15 – 12:00  Workshops on the above mentioned topics (in German, reserved for school classes)

**Main programme:**

12:15 – 12:20  Welcome remarks by UNIS Director Maher Nasser

12:20 – 12:25  Remarks by Marlene Parenzan, Chairperson - Vienna NGO Committee on the Status of Women

12:25 – 12:55  Book lecture „Am Anfang war ich sehr verliebt“ (in German)

Women tell their stories about love, violence and a new start in the women’s house (Autors: Karin Berger/ Andrea Brem)

12:55 – 13:20  Music and Dance on „Violence against women“

1st Women’s Chamber Orchestra of Austria & Fabiana Pastorini (Dance)

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Recipients of this invitation who do not hold a VIC grounds pass and would like to attend the ceremony are kindly requested to register by sending an email to unis@unvienna.org.

**Deadline for registrations: 22 November 2010**

*Please present this invitation along with a valid identification document upon entry to the Vienna International Centre (VIC).*