Scenario for the World Day against Child Labour, 12 June 2009

Give Girls a Chance – End Child Labour

A decade of commitment to end the worst forms of child labour

Children’s solidarity event

Organised by “Le respect, ça change la vie” in collaboration with the ILO

14.00-14.45, Place des Nations, Geneva

Sequence of events:

From 13.15 to 13.55: arrival of the school children:
- Caps, posters and pinwheel badges given to the school children (the pinwheel is the symbol for the World Day)
- Make your own pinwheel kits given to the children
- Children sign the statement on the giant canvas
- Children donate books
- Music by young musicians from Kenya

14.00: Opening by Mr. André Castella, President of the association “Le Respect, ça change la vie”

14.05: School children address questions to: Mr. Rémy Pagani, Mayor of the City of Geneva, Mr. Charles Beer, State Councillor, Ms Antonia Cortese, Secretary-Treasurer, American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO, USA and Mr. Kailash Satyarthi, Chairperson of the Global March Against Child Labour. Mr. Eric Layraz, President of the Grand Conseil and other Swiss authorities will be present.


14.30: ILO introduces Senator Harkin. Young girl musician/s from Kenya offers book to Senator Harkin followed by a short statement by the Senator

14.35: 2 children (a girl and a boy) read the message on the canvas, one in French, one in English

14.40: The authorities and institutions present will be invited to sign the canvas

14.45: Rendition of the song “Libérez les enfants” & release of balloons

14.45: Senator Harkin, ILO and ILO guests leave for the Plenary

14.50 – 15.25
- snack provided to the children
- more children sign the canvas…
- book donation continues…

15.30 – end of the event