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**INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN AN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION TO
CREATE A MEMORIAL TO HONOUR VICTIMS OF SLAVERY AND THE
TRANSATLANTIC SLAVE TRADE**

Members of the public are invited to submit designs for the creation of “The Permanent Memorial at the United Nations to Honour the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade.

The design of the winning artist, sculptor, architect, graphic designer or other visual media expert would be built at the UN Headquarters in New York. The memorial would serve to educate future generations about the cultural and global impact of the transatlantic slave trade while honouring the memory of those who died as well as those who shared the struggle.

This international competition is spearheaded by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the Permanent Memorial Committee.

Themed “Acknowledging the Tragedy; Considering the Legacy; Least We Forget”, the memorial would also highlight the legacy of hatred, bigotry, racism, racial prejudice and xenophobia which are linked to present day economic and social inequalities.

Interested persons should visit www.unslaverymemorial.org for guidelines, rules of the competition and application forms. The deadline for submission is January 23rd, 2012.

For further information please feel free to contact the Ministry's Communications Division at 628-1581.

