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Dear Sir/Madam,

I'm writing from the CNN Bureau in Hong Kong, and I would like to submit an interview request for Director Sandra Thurman. We would like to inquire if she might be available to join us this week on the CNN Asia-Pacific program "CNN This Morning". We'd like to conduct the interview live via satellite on either May 1 or May 2 at 6:00pm East Coast time in our Washington DC Bureau.

We would like to discuss the White House's recent declaration of AIDS as a national and global security threat, and the programs your office is working on to combat the problem.

Please let me know if she might be available. I would be more than happy to phone with more details about the interview, or you can contact my Wash DC colleague, Gail Chalef, at 202 515-2248. In the meantime, here is a bit more information about CNN This Morning:

CNN This Morning is seen in over 26 million television households, and 29 countries and territories across Asia, Australia and New Zealand. It brings Asian viewers essential news and information to begin their day. Anchored by Karuna Shinsho, CNN This Morning airs four times each weekday morning, and features a mix of top international and regional news stories, interviews, plus up-to-the-minute business, weather and sports updates.

Many thanks for your attention.

Warm regards,

Jennifer Stephens
Producer, CNN International
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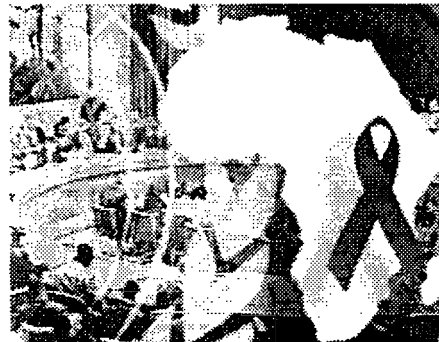
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GENEVA (Reuters) -- The HIV/AIDS epidemic continues to ravage Africa, where one in five adults is living with the deadly virus in some states, the United Nations said on Tuesday.

In Kenya, South Africa, Zimbabwe and Botswana, at least one in every two 15-year-old boys will die of AIDS, according to a grim report by the UNAIDS program.

In the West, gay men in New York, San Francisco, Sydney and London have become complacent, engaging in unprotected sex, often with multiple partners, the report warned.

But it saw glimmers of hope, noting HIV/AIDS rates had stabilized in most high-income countries due to awareness campaigns and better treatment. And infection rates had dropped in a few developing nations, including Thailand and Uganda.

"A lot of progress has been made, but it is unfortunately not everywhere," Peter Piot, executive director of the joint U.N. program on HIV/AIDS, told a news conference in Geneva.

"In the West...the impact of treatment has been spectacular. Mortality has really collapsed from AIDS. There is really a much better and longer life for people with HIV."

70 percent of victims in Africa

The picture in sub-Saharan Africa was very different. There, four million people

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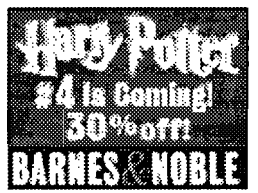
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The picture in sub-Saharan Africa was very different. There, four million people were infected last year alone -- making up the bulk of the 5.4 million new cases worldwide.

"The lifetime risk of dying from AIDS has become really incredibly high in several countries," Piot said.

In South Africa, Botswana and Zimbabwe, today's 15 year olds are more likely than not to die of AIDS.

Africa will need between \$1.6 billion and \$2.6 billion to step up prevention programs just to contain the epidemic, said Piot, who backed debt-relief for the hardest-hit countries.

AIDS is the fourth biggest killer worldwide. About 18.8 million people have perished since 1983, including 2.8 million last year, according to the report.

"Nearly twice that many -- 34.3 million -- are now living with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. Barring a miracle, most of these will die over the next decade or so," the report said.

The epidemic has orphaned about 13.2 million children. About 24.5 million or 70 percent of victims are in sub-Saharan Africa. The highest number -- 4.2 million -- are in South Africa, the region's most populous country.

The report listed 16 countries where over 10 percent of the 15-49 age-group were infected with HIV: Botswana, Burundi, Central African Republic, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

In seven countries, all in the southern cone of Africa, at least one adult in five was living with the virus. Hardest hit was Botswana at 35.8 percent, followed by Swaziland, Zimbabwe, Lesotho, Zambia, South Africa and Namibia.

Asian rates misleading

In Asia, only three countries -- Cambodia, Myanmar and Thailand -- have rates exceeding one percent HIV infection among 15-49-year-olds, according to the 135-page U.N. report. But even low rates mean that huge numbers of Asians live with the virus.

In India, for example, only seven adults in 1,000 are infected, but this translates into a total 3.7 million people, more than in any other country except South Africa. In China, an estimated 500,000 people live with HIV/AIDS, mainly drug users.

"It may be just a matter of time before infections reach a critical level...Certainly there is no room for complacency," the report said.

Sexual behavior was a major cause of HIV infection in much of Latin America and the Caribbean, but the region's macho culture often led to neglect of the problem.

In Eastern Europe and Central Asia, the HIV epidemic was concentrated among injecting drug users. An outbreak among users around Moscow last year resulted in 16,000 new infections, more than in the previous six years combined.

An estimated 850,000 Americans have HIV/AIDS, with an average of 40,000 more joining them each year, according to Piot. Some 49,000 Canadians are currently infected.

In Europe, France has the highest number of people living with HIV/AIDS (130,000), followed by Spain (120,000) and Italy (95,000).

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