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In ANY CORRESPONDENCE ON  
THIS SUBJECT PLEASE QUOTE NO:  
**ADM 105/309/20**

March 30, 2015

To:.....

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Dear Sir/Madam

**RE: INVITATION TO A SICKLE CELL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS  
RESULTS OF THE NATIONAL SICKLE SURVEY**

Since February 2014, the Ministry of Health working in collaboration with Cincinnati Children's Hospital based in USA, started a sickle cell survey using a state of the art laboratory setup at Central Public Health Laboratory (CPHL). This survey was to run for a period of one year and has come to an end on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 with a total of about 100,000 babies tested from all districts of Uganda. The data generated from this survey has given us an interesting picture of the prevalence of sickle cell trait and disease across all districts of Uganda. We would want to discuss these results with stakeholders before they are disseminated.

The purpose of this communication is to invite you to a scientific meeting to discuss these results on the 16<sup>th</sup> of April 2015, at Makerere University Senate Hall, from 9:00am to 12:00noon after which to a national launch of neonatal sickle cell screening, to be held at Makerere Freedom Square grounds from 1:00pm to 4:00pm.

Thank you for your usual cooperation.

Dr. Aceng Jane Ruth  
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CC: Hon. Minister of Health  
Hon. Minister of State for Health (PHC)  
Hon. Minister of State for Health (General Duties)  
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health  
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