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JUSTICE DEPARTMENT TO HOLD VIOLENCE REDUCTION NETWORK SUMMIT OPENING CEREMONY AND MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Department of Justice will kick off the Second Annual Violence Reduction Network (VRN) Summit on **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2015**. VRN is an unprecedented effort to deliver strategic, intensive training and technical assistance to reduce violence in local communities.

The summit's opening session is open to the media and Justice Department officials will participate in a media availability immediately following.

WHO: Deputy Attorney General Sally Quillian Yates
Assistant Attorney General Karol V. Mason of the Office of Justice Programs
U.S. Attorney Barbara L. McQuade of the Eastern District of Michigan

WHAT: Justice Department's 2015 VRN Summit

WHEN: **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2015, 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. EDT**
(VRN Opening Session: 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.; Media Availability: 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.)

WHERE: Detroit Marriott at Renaissance Center
400 Renaissance Drive West
Detroit, MI 48243

NOTE: Media must RSVP by 12:00 p.m. EDT on Friday, September 25, to Joan.LaRocca2@usdoj.gov. All media must present government-issued photo I.D. (such as a driver's license) as well as valid media credentials. Media may begin arriving at 7:00 a.m. EDT. All cameras must be pre-set by 8:15 a.m EDT. For inquiries related to on-site media logistics, contact Starr Stepp at starr.stepp@usdoj.gov or 202-598-9457.

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