*****MEDIA ADVISORY*****

CITIES JOIN JUSTICE DEPARTMENT FOR NATIONAL SUMMIT ON PREVENTING YOUTH VIOLENCE

WASHINGTON – Senior Justice Department officials and teams of mayors, police chiefs, school officials and youth from more than 30 cities will discuss strategies for reducing youth violence and gang activity June 27-29 at the Fifth National Summit on Preventing Youth Violence – A Hopeful Future: Sustaining Our Work to End Violence, presented by the National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention and the My Brother’s Keeper (MBK) Task Force.

The National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention, established at the direction of President Obama in 2010, is a network of communities and federal agencies that work together and build local capacity to prevent and reduce youth violence. Boston, Camden, Chicago, Detroit, Memphis, Minneapolis, New Orleans, Philadelphia, Salinas, San Jose, Long Beach, Cleveland, Louisville, Seattle and Baltimore are the 15 cities participating in the Forum. This national convening will bring together over 600 participants representing more than 30 cities, including many communities that have accepted President Obama’s MBK Community Challenge.

President Obama launched the My Brother’s Keeper initiative in February of 2014 to address persistent opportunity gaps faced by boys and young men of color and ensure that all young people can reach their full potential. Through this initiative, the Administration is joining with cities and towns, businesses, and foundations who are taking important steps to ensure that every child has a clear pathway to success from cradle to college and career. Learn more at: https://www.whitehouse.gov/my-brothers-keeper

WHAT: National Summit on Preventing Youth Violence

WHO: Loretta E. Lynch, Attorney General
Thomas Perez, Secretary of Labor (day two)
John King, Secretary of Education
Broderick Johnson, Assistant to the President, Cabinet Secretary and Chair of the My Brother’s Keeper Task Force, the White House
Karol V. Mason, Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs
Officials from participating cities.

WHERE: Hilton Baltimore
401 W Pratt Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
WHEN: MONDAY, June 27, 2016
9:00 a.m. EDT

AGENDA: [Link to agenda]

NOTE: All media must present government-issued photo I.D. (such as a driver’s license) as well as valid media credentials. For security purposes, media check-in and equipment setup may begin as early as 7:00 a.m. and must be completed by 7:45 a.m. for an 8:00 a.m. security sweep. Once the security sweep is completed, additional media equipment will NOT be permitted to enter and swept equipment will NOT be permitted to exit. Due to limited capacity, media must RSVP prior to the event. RSVPs and inquiries regarding logistics should be directed to Sheila Jerusalem at 202.598.0793.

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