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AAA's work is based on 3 programmes:

**"JUST KNOW" Campaign emphasizes:**

- Knowledge of one's body
- Knowledge that leads to behavior change
- Knowledge that helps to visualize a future without AIDS

**"Health before Wealth" Concept promotes:**

- Testing for HIV
- Clean hands ( hand washing stations)
- Clean water (drinking stations)
- Dignified toilets
- Fighting against Malaria (treated mosquito bed nets)
- Vaccination
- Anti worms medicin

**"Women's economic autonomy" through our Scholarship Programme.**

This scholarship enables each teenage orphan girl to complete at least a secondary, general or technical education that will lead to financial and economic autonomy, greatly reducing the risk of being infected with HIV through sexual abuse and violence.

At the United Nations World Summit on Sustainable Development meeting on September 25, 2015 more than 150 world leaders adopted the new 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The 17 new Sustainable Development Goals, also known as Global Goals are:

**Goal 1:** No poverty; **Goal 2:** Zero hunger; **Goal 3:** Good health and well-being; **Goal 4:** Quality education; **Goal 5:** Gender equality; **Goal 6:** Clean water and sanitation; **Goal 7:** Affordable and clean energy; **Goal 8:** Decent work and economic growth; **Goal 9:** Industry, innovation, infrastructure; **Goal 10:** Reduces inequalities; **Goal 11:** Sustainable cities and communities; **Goal 12:** Responsible consumption, production; **Goal 13:** Climate action; **Goal 14:** Life below water; **Goal 15:** Life on land; **Goal 16:** Peace, justice and strong institutions; **Goal 17:** Partnerships for the goals.

From the large debate that took place, Civil Society participants would like to draw your attention on the following key points:

**UN Secretary- General Ban Ki-moon** "...The 2030 Agenda is for you, it is for everyone, everywhere. Claim it, demand that commitments are made and promises kept. Be part of the global call to action. Together, we can build a better future for people and planet."

**Angela Merkel, Chancelor of Germany:** "... For Seventy years on, the United Nations remained essential, she said, adding that Germany was prepared to contribute to reforms that would keep the Organization relevant. Stressing the need for resources to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals, she said the Addis Ababa Conference had shown resources could be mobilized. Germany was committed to contributing 0.7 per cent of gross national income for development."

**Erna Solberg, Prime Minister of Norway**  
 "... In some ways the SDGs can already be called a success due to its democratic accountability and **the active involvement of civil society.** But I would like to quote the famous philosopher Elvis Presley in one of his timeless hits he asked for "A little less conversation, a little more action-please". Let's listen to Elvis, and act now."

In African Action on AIDS (AAA) terminology, it means: **MA YEM - MA BO or I KNOW and I DO!**

Report by Huguette Streuli and Yoko Komori Olson,  
**AAA UN Representatives, present at the Summit.**



Yoko and Huguette  
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