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**Multicultural Symposium Series Hosts Bilateral Summit to Address
Racial Crises in the United Kingdom and the United States.
Global Dialogue on Race Marks the One-Year Anniversary of George
Floyd's Murder**

Boston, Mass. – Experts on diversity, equity and inclusion-generating solutions to racial discrimination and racial hatred will come together for bilateral dialogue on race, Saturday, 22 May 2021 via the Zoom Meeting Platform.

The dialogue starts at 12 noon EDT in the United States (11 am CDT; 9 am PDT) – which is 5:00 pm BDT in the United Kingdom and Wales.

More than 200 multicultural and diversity professionals, academics, business leaders and government leaders in the United Kingdom and in the United States are expected to participate in this inaugural U.S.-U.K. Summit on Race.

Founded by Carole Copeland Thomas of the Multicultural Symposium Series of Greater Boston, Massachusetts (US) -- with lawyer and entrepreneur Garth Dallas (Liverpool, England), and William (Bill) W. Wells, Jr., a Minneapolis-based diversity and business consultant -- Saturday's Summit is expected to attract up to 200 participants from the United Kingdom and the United States. Participants will discuss and explore solutions to hatred and violence based on racial targeting on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean.

This 3-hour virtual dialogue on race with breakout group discussions coincides closely with the one-year anniversary of the murder of George Floyd by a police officer in Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA. Floyd was murdered on 25 May 2021.

Copeland Thomas points out that the value of this gathering is “to reach out to advocates in both the United Kingdom and the United States to explore, expand and elevate conversations on race from cross-cultural perspectives.”

Featured speakers during this one-of-a-kind bilateral Summit on Race include:

Her Excellency Dr. Justina Mutale, founder and president of Justina Mutale Foundation and founder of Positive Runway: The Global Catwalk to Stop the Spread of HIV and AIDS, United Kingdom;

Diana D. Wong, Ph.D., CEO and president of Sensei Change Associates; organizational change adviser to universities and businesses; associate professor, Eastern Michigan University;

Detective Larry Ellison, City of Boston Police Department. Ellison is a former president of the Massachusetts Association of Minority Law Enforcement Officers, Inc. (MAMLEO).

Rev. Karla J. Cooper, Ed.D, senior pastor of Allen-St. John AME Church in Kansas City, Missouri; co-founder of African Methodist Episcopal-India; and faculty member at Doane University in Crete, Nebraska;

Jeffrey Hayden, Minnesota politician and former member of the Minnesota Senate representing District 62 which includes portions of south Minneapolis;

Prof. Martin Levermore, MBE, DL, visiting professor for health, education and life science at Birmingham City University, and founder of Medical Devices Technology Ltd, United Kingdom;

Leila McKenzie-Delis, management consultant, DIALGlobal, London, England, and

Professor Geoff Thompson, MBE DL, deputy chair of the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games Organising Committee, UK, and founder of the UK charity Youth Charter.

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Advance registration – which is free -- is required to participate.

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