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Message for the International Day of Persons with Disabilities

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The International Day of Persons with Disabilities – observed each year on 3 December – is an opportunity to promote full and equal enjoyment of human rights and participation in society by persons with disabilities. The theme for the 2009 observance is ‘empowerment’, a particularly salient theme given that the UK ratified the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities earlier this year.

The United Nations Association of the UK campaigned vigorously in support of the Convention, which covers areas where those with disabilities have not traditionally enjoyed their rights, such as employment. We are delighted that organisations like Remploy are contributing so positively to the empowerment of persons with disabilities in this area.

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