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## ADAP Advocacy Association Applauds U.S. & Canadian Governments Affirming Importance of Undetectable = Untransmittable (U=U)

### *Announcement made during U=U Global Summit in Montreal*

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – The ADAP Advocacy Association today applauded the governments of the United States and Canada for formally supporting the science behind and messaging for **Undetectable = Untransmittable (U=U)**. U=U fortifies that people living with HIV who are taking their medication and have an undetectable viral load can't spread HIV sexually. The U=U Campaign, spearheaded by the Prevention Access Campaign (PAC), has been widely recognized as a transformative message, and now the U.S. and Canadian governments have joined the U=U chorus.

Speaking about the [Multinational Undetectable = Untransmittable \(U=U\) Call-to-Action](#), Harold Phillips, Director of the White House Office of National AIDS Policy (ONAP), summarized: “The White House Office of National AIDS Policy is committed to furthering the critical work for U=U and will seek opportunities to work with our government and stakeholders to incorporate U=U messaging in federal training, grants, and educational programs. I look forward to our continued collective work.”

After years of urging government action on U=U, advocates assembling at the U=U Global Summit, a gathering preceding the 2022 International AIDS Conference, in Montreal, finally achieved a sought-after public health victory.

Dr. Theresa Tam, Canada's Chief Public Health Officer, echoed comments by U.S. health officials: “U=U is a transformative message for people living with, and affected by, HIV. It is also an important tool to help us reach our shared targets for diagnosis, treatment and prevention. The evidence behind U=U holds tremendous power to reduce the stigma that can prevent people from getting tested and freely accessing the treatment and support they need. Together, let's spread the message widely that Undetectable = Untransmittable and recommit to ending HIV-related stigma once and for all.”

Information about the Multinational Undetectable = Untransmittable (U=U) Call-to-Action is available online at <https://preventionaccess.org/c2a/>.

To learn more about the ADAP Advocacy Association, AIDS Drug Assistance Programs, or U=U, please email [info@adapadvocacy.org](mailto:info@adapadvocacy.org).

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***About the ADAP Advocacy Association:*** The ADAP Advocacy Association mission is to promote and enhance the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAPs) and improves access to care for persons living with HIV/AIDS.

**aaa+®** works with advocates, community, health care, government, patients, pharmaceutical companies and other stakeholders to raise awareness, offer patient educational programs, and foster greater community collaboration.