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Greece: Media invite Amnesty International to receive prestigious award

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Irene Khan, Secretary General of Amnesty International, will visit Greece from 19 to 21 September 2006. She will receive an award from the Athens Bar Association in recognition of hers and Amnesty International's "contribution in the struggle to promote the human rights of citizens and justice worldwide, especially in an era when human rights are being openly violated".

When: 19.00 (16.00 GMT), Thursday, 21 September 2006
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During her visit to the Greek capital, Irene Khan will meet with government and civil society representatives.

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Background information

Whether in a high-profile conflict or a forgotten corner of the globe, Amnesty International campaigns for justice and freedom for all and seeks to galvanize public support to build a better world.

Amnesty International, founded in 1961, is a worldwide movement of people who campaign for internationally recognized human rights to be respected and protected. Amnesty International's vision is of a world in which every person enjoys all of the human rights enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other international human rights standards.

The Athens Bar Association was founded in 1908 to defend and further the interests of all its 19,000 members. The Athens Bar Association has previously awarded public figures such as the Greek Orthodox Patriarch of Constantinople, former Presidents of the Greek Parliament, former Presidents of the Athens

Bar and distinguished lawyers for their social work.

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