



U.N. and International Officials Launch Global Effort to End Distracted Driving

Secretary General Ban Ki-moon and senior representatives from the United States and Russia appeared at the United Nations headquarters in New York on May 19 to launch a global effort to address the growing and deadly epidemic of distracted driving. Secretary Ban was joined for the announcement by U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood.

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At the U.S. Department of Transportation, we heard America's call to end the dangerous practice of distracted driving on our nation's roadways. Distracted driving is a serious, life-threatening practice and we will not rest until we stop it.

We are leading the effort but you are the key to preventing distracted driving. The message is simple – Put it down!

We will work across the spectrum with private and public entities as well as advocacy groups to tackle distracted driving, and, we will lead by example. We have taken first steps -- The President's Executive Order has established a new way to approach driving – by putting your device down and paying attention to the task at hand.

Internally, the department's agencies are already working together to share knowledge and promote a greater understanding of the issue, and identify additional strategies to end distracted driving. Check back to this site often so you can stay abreast of our progress and to view the latest updates and information.

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