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National Terrorism Threat Level Increase Media Advisory:

ACIP Smallpox Vaccine Public Meeting

January 29, 2003

Contact: CDC Media Relations (404) 639-3286

WHO: Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)

WHAT: To discuss specific issues related to the use of smallpox vaccine. The primary topic for discussion is the number of insertions (needle pricks) of the bifurcated needles to be used for primary smallpox vaccination and revaccination.

WHEN: January 29, 2003

2 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. EST - Call participants will be on an open phone line. THIS IS NOT A MEDIA TELEBRIEFING AND REPORTERS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ASK QUESTIONS. <u>Listen only mode</u>. A summary of the meeting will be posted online when it becomes available.

WHERE: At your desk, by toll-free conference line: (800) 497-1934

Teleconference code: 2978861

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