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Michigan Radio News Director to Accompany UM Delegation to Africa

ANN ARBOR, Mich. – Michigan Radio News Director, Vincent Duffy, will accompany a delegation from the University of Michigan, led by President Mary Sue Coleman, as they visit Ghana and South Africa from February 22 to March 5. In addition to reporting on aspects of the delegation's visit, he will cover other stories of interest to Michigan Radio listeners.

Among the issues Duffy plans to cover will be attempts by American universities to establish campuses in Africa, and reactions to President Bush's current trip to Ghana and other African nations. Other planned reports will look at the fundraising efforts of a middle school in Flint for a school in South Africa, the continued popularity of heritage tours and attempts to increase business and economic ties between Michigan and Africa.

"Michigan Radio is very pleased to offer our listeners first hand insight to the wide scope of timely issues that will be reported by our News Director Vincent Duffy", commented Steve Schram, Director of Michigan Public Media. "His previous reporting experience in Africa will be an asset to the exclusive coverage our Michigan Radio listeners will hear."

Duffy's reports will be heard on Michigan Radio during Morning Edition (Mon-Fri, 5am – 9:00am) and All Things Considered (Mon-Fri, 4pm-6:30pm) between Monday, Feb 25 and Wednesday, March 5.

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