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The Fifth International Neuro-Psychoanalysis Congress will be held at the Catholic University in Rome, Italy on 2–5 September 2004. This year's topic is 'Splitting, denial and narcissism: neuro-psychoanalytic perspectives on the right hemisphere'. Many authors have linked the functions of the right hemisphere of the brain with Freud's concept of the unconscious and the primary process. This congress will engage with leading neuroscientists to consider this claim, and focus specifically on recent findings that link the functions of the right hemisphere with psychoanalytic concepts of splitting, denial and narcissism. For further details please contact Paula Barkay, Neuro-Psychoanalysis Centre, 21 Maresfield

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The Afiya Trust, in cooperation with The Royal College of Psychiatrists, New Nation, Rethink and the Mellow Campaign, would like to announce the **Black & Minority Ethnic Mental Health Network Second National Conference: Sustainable Recovery, Rehabilitation and Prevention**. The conference will take place on 20–21 September 2004 in Manchester and marks the official launch of a National Black & Minority Ethnic Mental Health Network (the Network), set up in the

autumn of 2003. In particular, the Network aims to develop experts forums around specific priorities; build links between the mental health system and the criminal justice system; develop accessible training for the lay black and minority ethnic population enabling them to become accredited participants in therapy; and develop community education to promote awareness of mental health well being. For further information please contact Central Conference Consultants Ltd, 23 Barratt Lane, Attenborough, Nottingham NG9 6DB (tel: 0115 916 3104; fax: 0115 916 3106) or visit the Afiya Trust website at the following address: <http://www.afiya-trust.org>.