



**Statement from David Winder, Acting CEO of WaterAid America, on the Release of the Joint UNICEF-
WHO Diarrheal Disease Report and Global Handwashing Day**

“Despite diarrhea being the second biggest killer of children, critical interventions to prevent these deaths do not attract adequate attention from the international community. The international aid system and developing country governments must target their resources to diseases that are killing the most children – such as diarrheal disease – and focus on supporting cost-effective interventions, like handwashing with soap, which can prevent this fatal disease.” said David Winder, acting CEO, WaterAid America. “Now is the time for the international community to come together to deliver the support necessary to prevent and treat diarrheal disease and save the lives of millions of children.”