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*****MEDIA ALERT*****

**MARK WIGGLESWORTH TO LEAD NSO IN
SUBSCRIPTION CONCERTS WITH
VIOLINIST SIMONE LAMSMA**

Wigglesworth Replaces Jaap van Zweden, March 2-4, 2017

(WASHINGTON)—Conductor Mark Wigglesworth, who last appeared with the NSO in 2002, will lead the National Symphony Orchestra (NSO) in its subscription programs on March 2–4, 2017, with violinist Simone Lamsma. He replaces guest conductor Jaap van Zweden, who has withdrawn for family reasons. The program—Shostakovich’s Violin Concerto No. 1 and Brahms’s Symphony No. 2—remains the same. These performances mark Lamsma’s debut with the NSO.

Tickets to all three performances are available online at kennedy-center.org, by calling (202) 467-4600, or in person at the Kennedy Center box office.

Mark Wigglesworth has forged enduring relationships with many top-level orchestras and opera houses across the world in repertoire ranging from Mozart to Tippett. He has held posts with the Opera Factory, London; BBC Symphony Orchestra; Swedish Radio Symphony Orchestra; and BBC National Orchestra of Wales, and, in addition, has led many of the world’s finest ensembles, including the Berliner Philharmoniker; Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra, Amsterdam; La Scala Filarmonica, Milan; Accademia Nazionale di Santa Cecilia Orchestra, Rome; Stockholm Philharmonic, as well as productions at Glyndebourne, Welsh National Opera, Metropolitan Opera, New York; Royal Opera House, Covent Garden; and English National Opera.

In North America, Wigglesworth has led Cleveland Orchestra, New York Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra, Chicago Symphony, Los Angeles Philharmonic, San Francisco Symphony, Minnesota Orchestra, Orchestre Symphonique de Montreal, the Toronto Symphony, New World Symphony and Boston Symphony. In Australia he has worked regularly with the Sydney and Melbourne Symphony Orchestras and enjoys a special relationship with the Adelaide Symphony. In the studio, Wigglesworth’s recordings have centered around a project with BIS Records to record all of Shostakovich’s symphonies. This cycle has received critical acclaim throughout the world.

Complete concert details follow:

Thursday, March 2, 2017, at 7 p.m.

Friday, March 3, 2017, at 11:30 a.m.

Saturday, March 4, 2017, at 8 p.m.

Kennedy Center Concert Hall

NATIONAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Mark Wigglesworth, conductor

Simone Lamsma, violin

SHOSTAKOVICH

Violin Concerto No. 1

BRAHMS

Symphony No. 2

TICKET INFORMATION

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