PROGRAMME OF WORK

TRAINING MISSION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN, SIERRA LEONE 4-8 APRIL 2005

3.00 - 3.15

3.15 - 5.00

Introduction to working groups – the role of national machinery

* Parallel working groups on the role of the national machinery for the advancement of women in implementation of the Convention (i) what needs to be done?

Participants will break up into 2 working groups to discuss the tools and mechanisms for implementation of the Convention. Participants should identify and discuss:

- (a) priority areas for intervention (for example violence against women, discriminatory traditional practices);
- (b) tools and mechanisms available to the Ministry for addressing these issues (for example law reform, the development of national action plans, public education and awareness-raising, partnerships with stakeholders). Participants should identify specific details of what needs to be done to ensure implementation of the Convention (for example the content and type of law reform required, the partners in an awareness raising campaign);
- (c) the main barriers and constraints to using the tools and mechanisms.

Each working group must select a rapporteur to report back to the plenary session.

Tuesday 5 April 2005

9.00 - 10.45

Report back from working groups

Each group will report back for a maximum of 10 minutes, followed by a general discussion on available tools and mechanisms for implementation (*Elize Delport*)

10.45 - 11.00

11.00 - 11.15

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- (ii) existing problem areas and barriers to implementation of the Convention with respect to the area of focus (for example teenage pregnancies);
- (iii) tools and mechanisms needed for implementation of the Convention in each of the substantive areas.

Each working group must select a rapporteur to report back to the plenary session.

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11.15 - 1.00

Report back from working groups

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Friday 9 April 2005

9.00 – 10.45	Report back from working groups Each group will report back for a maximum of 10 minutes, followed by a general discussion on good practices on the role of line ministries in implementation in substantive areas, including effective use of tools and mechanisms for implementation (Dorcas Coker-Appiah)
10.45 – 11.00	Tea
11.00 – 12.00	Role of line ministries in monitoring implementation, including data collection and methods of collaboration (Dorcas Coker-Appiah)
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