High Level Event on the Worldwide Ban on Female Genital Mutilation
Roma 3-5 February 2013

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PROGRAM
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Sunday 3 February

During the day: Arrival and Registration of Participants

19:00 Welcome Reception
Introduction and welcome

Keynote speech:
Nanténin Chérif Konaté, Minister of Social Affairs, Advancement of Women and Children, Guinea
Nestorine Sangaré, Minister for the Advancement of Women, Burkina Faso

Vote of Thanks:
Mariam Lamizana, President IAC/CI-AF, Burkina Faso

Monday 4 February
Sala Zuccari, Italian Senate

08:30 Meeting at hotel lobbies to walk over to Senate

9:00-11:00 Opening Ceremony for foreign participants

Welcome by:
Renato Schifani, President of the Senate
Mario Monti, Prime Minister of Italy

Remarks:
Djene Kaba Condé, First Lady of Guinea
Maikibi Kadidiatou Dandobi, Minister of Population, Advancement of Women, Child Protection, Niger
Fatouma Amadou Djibril, Minister of Family, Social Affairs, National Solidarity, the Disabled and Elderly, Benin
Raimonde Coffie Goudou, Minister of Health and the fight against HIV/AIDS, Côte d’Ivoire
Demba Traoré, Minister for Malians Abroad and for African Integration, Mali
Antonio Téte, Ambassador, Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union to the United Nations
Gilles Bon-Maury, Counsellor, Ministry of Women’s Rights, France

Concluding remarks:
Emma Bonino, Vice-president of the Senate, Founder of No Peace Without Justice

11:00 -11:15 Group Photo
11:15 – 11:25  
Presentation of the United Nations General Assembly Resolution on FGM  
Bertin Babadoudou, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Benin

11:25 – 13:00  
Plenary Session I: Adoption of national legislation – Article 4 UNGA Resolution

Co-Chairs:
- Maikibi Kadidiatou Dandobi, Minister of Population, Advancement of Women, Child Protection, Niger
- Fatouma Amadou Djibril, Minister of Family, Social Affairs, National Solidarity, the Disabled and Elderly, Benin
- Demba Traoré, Minister for Malians Abroad and for African Integration, Mali

Introduction by:
- Dora Byamukama, Member of the East African Legislative Assembly, Uganda

Facilitated by:
- Niccolò Figà-Talamanca, Secretary-General, No Peace Without Justice

Interventions:
- Aminata Ahoudou, Malian Association for the Monitoring and Orientation of Traditional Practices, IAC, Mali
- Florence Ali, Ghanian Association for Women’s Welfare, IAC, Ghana
- Marie-Claire Balle-Pognon, Expert Special Initiative for Maternal Mortality Reduction, Focal Point for the First Lady, Benin
- Sande Geoffrey, IAC, Uganda
- Fatouma Boubé Mailele, CONIPRAT, IAC, Niger
- Bianca Pomeranzi, Member of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women of the United Nations
- Marième Baba Sy, Association for the Promotion of Gender Equality, Human Rights and Development, IAC, Mauritania
- Isatou Touray, GAMCOTRAP, IAC, Gambia
- Linda Weil-Curiel, C.A.M.S, France
- Memouna Babouni Yacoubou, IAC, Benin

Discussion

Conclusions by:
- Lamine Traoré, FGM Program, UNFPA, Mali

13:00 – 15:00  
Lunch at the Senate for Foreign participants

15:00 – 17:00  
Plenary Session II: Compliance with the law – Article 5 UNGA Resolution

Co-chairs:
- Moushira Khattab, Academic and former Minister, Egypt
- Raimonde Coffie Goudou, Minister of Health and the fight against HIV/AIDS, Côte d’Ivoire
- Nestorine Sangaré, Minister for the Advancement of Women, Burkina Faso

Introduction by:
- Efua Dorkenoo, Equality Now, UK

Facilitated by:
- Ilwad Elmi, FGM Program Associate, No Peace Without Justice

Interventions:
- Halo Aboubaker Houmed, Ministry for the Advancement of Women, Djibouti
- Neneh Bojang, IAC, Norway, Euro-Net FGM
- Djiguiba Cissé, IAC, Côte d’Ivoire
- Eneng Darol Afiah, Commissioner, National Commission on Violence against Women (Komnas Perempuan)
- Randa Fatihr Eldin, Egyptian NGO Coalition against FGM, Egypt
Mariam Lamizana, President IAC/CI-AF
Elhadji Ibrahima Koita, La Palabre, Sénégal
Victoria Kibora Ouedraogo, Voix de Femme IAC - Burkina Faso
Mary Okioma, Women for Justice in Africa, Kenya
Mohamadi Ouedraogo, National Committee for the Elimination of Female Genital Mutilation / National Gendarmerie, Burkina Faso
Marguerite Ramadan, IAC, Central African Republic
Magatte Sy, IAC, Senegal

Discussion

Conclusions by:
Els Leye, La Palabre, U-Gent, Belgium

17:00
Walk from Senate to Hotels

19:30
Meeting at hotel lobby for transportation to Gala Venue

20:00
Gala Dinner - Palais Farnèse (by invitation only)

Keynote Speeches:
Alain Le Roy, Ambassador of France
Chantal Compaoré, First Lady of Burkina Faso
Elsa Fornera, Italian Minister of Labour and Equal Opportunities

Tuesday 5 February
Sala delle Conferenze Internazionali

08:30
Meeting at the hotel lobby for transfer to Ministry of Foreign Affairs

09:30 – 11:00 Plenary Session III: Regional and International Cooperation on FGM – Article 19 UNGA Resolution

Co-chairs:
Nanténin Chérif Konaté, Minister of Advancement of Women, Guinea
Antonio Téte, Ambassador, Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union to the United Nations

Introduction by:
Morissanda Kouyaté, Executive Director, IAC/CI-AF

Facilitated by:
Alvilda Jablonko, FGM Program Coordinator, No Peace Without Justice

Interventions:
Akanti Aissah Ouro-Akondo, Ministry for the Advancement of Women, Togo
Daniela Colomb, Italian Association for Women in Development - AIDOS, Italy
Nafissatou Diop, Coordinator of the UNFPA-UNICEF Joint Programme on FGM/C
Comfort Effiom, IAC, Cameroon
Maryam Elahi, Director International Women's Program, Open Society Foundations
Khady Koita, La Palabre, Belgium/Senegal
Gisele Mandaila, Member of Parliament Brussels Capital, Belgium
Faiza Mohamed, Equality Now, Kenya
Assibi Napoe, IAC, Togo
Fatoumata Fathy Sidibé, Member of Parliament – Brussels Capital, Belgium
Els Van Hoof, AWEPA
Discussion

Conclusions by:
Giampaolo Cantini, Director General, DG Development Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italy

11:00 – 13:00 Conclusions and Closing: The next steps

Co-chairs:
Chantal Compaoré, First Lady of Burkina Faso
Giulio Maria Terzi di Sant’Agata, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Italy
Elsa Fornero, Minister of Labour and Equal Opportunities, Italy

Introduction by:
Marta Dassù, Under-Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italy

Facilitated by:
Sabrina Gasparrini, Diplomatic Advisor to Hon. Emma Bonino, Vice-president of the Italian Senate

Reports on the Outcomes by Chairs of the Plenary Sessions I, II and III

Discussion and Adoption of Outcome Document

13:00 -14:30 Lunch at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

In the afternoon Transfers to the airport and departure