GLOBAL PARLIAMENTARY CAMPAIGN TO END CHILD, EARLY AND FORCED MARRIAGE
(CAMPAIGN ON CEFM)

Capacity-Building Discussion on Child, Early and Forced Marriage with Tanzanian Parliamentarians

Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania, Dodoma Parliament House
Dodoma, Tanzania
Sunday, June 21st, 2015
2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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Background
Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA) is an NGO network of over 1,100 individual legislators from 142 countries working on human rights issues. In 2014, PGA launched its Global Parliamentary Campaign to End Child, Early and Forced Marriage (CEFM) to raise awareness about this harmful practice and mobilize its network of Parliamentarians to discuss its root causes, raise awareness about CEFM and its consequences to girls and women’s lives, and to their country’s progress, and to empower MPs to strengthen their national frameworks to address CEFM and accelerate its eradication.

Purpose of Discussion
• Raise awareness and empower Tanzanian Members of Parliament to effectively analyze and address the root causes of child marriage;
• Share best practices with MPs in other countries & identify adequate policies to ending CEFM;
• Build capacity and political support to develop an enabling legal and policy framework that protects girls’ human rights; and
• Facilitate engagement between Members of Parliament and civil society working on this issue.

Proposed Agenda

Chaired by: Hon. Dr. Pindi Chana, MP Tanzania, Deputy Minister for Community Development, Gender and Children, Chair, PGA’s International Council

Rapporteur: Mónica Adame, Senior Programme Officer, Gender Equality and Population, Parliamentarians for Global Action

Welcoming Remarks and Introduction to PGA’s work to End Child Marriage
Hon. Dr. Pindi Chana, MP Tanzania
Deputy Minister for Community Development, Gender and Children
Chair, PGA’s International Council

Child, Early and Forced Marriage in Tanzania: Opportunities & Challenges
Mrs. Valerie Msoka
Executive Director of the Tanzania Media Women’s Association (TAMWA)

Mr. Koshuma Mtengeti
Executive Director of the Children’s Dignity Forum (CDF)
Interactive discussion

Parliamentary Experiences & Interventions to End Child Marriage: The Cases of Ghana and Malawi

Hon. Ursula Owusu-Ekuful
Member of Parliament
Parliament of Ghana

Hon. Anna Andrew Namathanga Kachikho
Member of Parliament
Parliament of Malawi

Open Discussion on the Role of Parliamentarians to End Child Marriage & Presentation of Draft Resolution

Facilitated by Hon. Dr. Pindi Chana, MP Tanzania
Deputy Minister for Community Development, Gender and Children
Chair, PGA’s International Council

Closing Remarks & Next Steps

Take Official Group Photo

Food/Refreshments