PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE TO
GIVE FULL EFFECT TO THE PRINCIPLE OF COMPLEMENTARITY IN UGANDA AND
THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Thursday 17 July 2014, 8:30am-4pm in commemoration of International Justice Day,

Parliament Conference Hall, Parliament of Uganda

I. Objectives

1. To discuss with relevant stakeholders, actors, institutions and experts the steps that need to be taken to give full effect to the principle of complementarity in Uganda and the DRC, which regulates the relationship between the primary responsibility of States to put an end to impunity for crimes against humanity and war crimes and the complementary responsibility of the International Criminal Court (ICC);

2. To analyze the legislative tools and the practical policies and means that would be necessary to overcome existing obstacles for
   a) the adoption of the Ugandan The Transitional Justice policy (TJP) drafted by the Justice, Law and Order sector (JLOs) of the Government of Uganda
   b) the adoption of relevant measures to attribute jurisdiction to DRC Courts, including the Implementing Legislation of the Rome Statute and measures aimed at setting up Specialized Chambers and mobile courts
   c) the establishment and operationalization of reparation-programs for the benefit of victims in DRC and Uganda

3. To provide opportunity for Peer to Peer dialogue and strategic debate among Ugandan and DRC MPs, so they can share best practices on comparative implementing legislation, functioning justice systems (including military jurisdictions) and other efforts to put an end to impunity

4. Dialogue between DRC and Uganda as neighboring states on common strategies on how to arrest and surrender to the ICC LRA leaders and other fugitives from international justice, as well as to strengthen cooperation to end the impunity of fugitives from domestic justice

5. Strategic debate on how to address the misperceptions that ending impunity might delay peace and stabilization processes, whereby empirical evidence and common sense dictate that only by ending the impunity of persons bearing the greatest responsibility for atrocities can durable peace and respect for human dignity be attained

II. Expected Outcomes

1. Highlighting of existing obstacles for the Implementation of the TJP in Uganda and concrete measures on how to address and overcome them

2. Highlighting of obstacles for the Implementing legislation of the Rome Statute in the DRC and plan of action on final steps to overcome them

3. Identification of concrete action-points for Parliamentarians to advance the domestic prosecution of international crimes in DRC and Uganda, as well as to provide reparations and redress for victims and survivors
III. Programme

8:30-9:00 AM Arrival and Registration of Members of Parliaments (MPs)

9:00-10:00 am OPENING SESSION

Chair: Hon. Stephen Tashobya, MP Uganda; Executive Board Member, Chair, PGA Uganda National Group; Chair, Legal and Parliamentary Affairs Committee

Welcoming Remarks & Introductions: Hon. Rt. Rebecca Kadaga, Speaker of Parliament, Republic of Uganda (TBC)

Keynote Speakers:

Mr. Mike Chibita, Director for Public Prosecutions (DPP) of Uganda

Senator Jean-Pierre Lola Kisanga, MP DRC, Deputy Rapporteur of the Senate

Mr. Koen Vervaeke, EU Senior Coordinator for the Great Lakes Region (TBC)

10.00-11:30 am SESSION 1: Complementarity principle in practice: where do we stand? Assessing the existing measures, their implementation and effective (or non-effective) application

Chair: Hon. Mark Pritchard, MP UK, Co-Convenor PGA ILHR Programme

Hon. Dieudonné Upira, MP, Chair PGA DRC – The DRC experiences, situation and lessons learnt

Hon. Abdu Katuntu, MP and Shadow Attorney General, Vice Chair PGA Uganda National Group - Ugandan experiences, situation and lessons learnt

Interactive Discussion

11:30–11:45AM COFFEE BREAK

11:45-1:00pm SESSION 2: The DRC in focus: Measures towards domesticating the Rome Statute and establishing accountability mechanisms for international crimes”

Co-Chairs: MP DRC (TBD) & Hon. Chris Baryomonsi, MP (Uganda)

Key Speaker: Prof. Boniface Balamage, PGA Member, and author of the law implementing the Rome
Interactive Discussion

1:00–2:00pm  LUNCH BREAK

2.00–3.30pm  SESSION 3: Victims’ rights, including Victims’ protection and ways to achieve reparation (compensation, restitution and/or rehabilitation) and to contribute to sustainable peace

Co-Chairs: Hon. Alice Alaso, MP, PGA Member & MP DRC (TBD)

Victim’s Representatives

Hon. Wilson Adirodou Djiri, PGA Member, National Assembly of the DRC

Mr. Eloi Urwodhi, National Coordinator, Ligue pour la Paix et les Droits de l’Homme, PGA Consultant DRC

Plenary Interventions and Open Discussion

3.30–3.50pm  Summary of deliberations and action points – Rapporteur Dr. David Donat Cattin

3.50–4.00pm  Concluding Remarks: Hon. Mark Pritchard, MP UK, Co-Convenor PGA ILHR Programme & Hon. Stephen Tashobya, MP Uganda; PGA Executive Board Member and Chair, PGA Uganda National Group; Chair, Legal and Parliamentary Affairs Committee

4.00–4.30pm  Press briefing – PGA Board Executive Members and Speakers of Uganda and DRC

5.00–6.30pm  Special High Level Session in Video-Link with UN Headquarters, New York, [tentative]

- UN Secretary General Mr Ban Ki Moon and Amb. Wenaweser, Chair of the PGA UN Committee
- Rt. Hon. Rebecca A. Kadaga, Speaker of Parliament of Uganda
- Hon. Charles Mwando Simba, Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly of the DRC
- Debate with Participating MPs
IV. INVITED PARTICIPANTS

Members of DRC Parliament

1. Hon. Dieudonné Upira Sunguma
2. Hon. Wilson Adirodou Djiri
3. Hon. Boniface Balamage N’kolo,
4. Hon. Egide Thuambe Agenong’a
5. Hon. Eve Bazaiba Masudi
7. Sen. Sebastien Adambu Lomalisa

Members of Ugandan Parliament

8. Hon. Acayo Christine Cwinya-ai, MP
9. Hon. Ajok Lucy, MP
10. Hon. Alaso Alice Asianut, MP
12. Hon. Amongi Betty Ongom, MP
13. Hon. Amuge Rebecca Otengo, MP
14. Hon. Aol Betty Ocan, MP
15. Hon. Arinaitwe Kariisa Joy, MP
16. Hon. Asamo Hellen Grace, MP
17. Hon. Atim Joy Ongom, MP
18. Hon. Atim Anywar Beatrice, MP
19. Hon. Ayena Krypus, MP
20. Hon. Bagoogle John B, MP
22. Hon. Biraahwa Mukitale Stephen, MP
23. Hon. Byrarugaba Grace Isingoma, MP
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26. Hon. Kabasharira Naome, MP
27. Hon. Kabakumba Masiko Labwoni, MP
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29. Hon. Kakooza James, MP
30. Hon. Kamateeka Jovah, MP
31. Hon. Katoto Hatwib, MP
32. Hon. Katuntu Abdu, MP
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34. Hon. Kitatta Aboud, MP
35. Hon. Komuhangi Margaret, MP
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43. Hon. Muwuma Milton, MP
44. Hon. Nakato Kyabangi Katusiime, MP
45. Hon. Nakayenze Coonie Galiwango, MP
46. Hon. Namayangja Florence, MP
47. Hon. Namaoe Stella Nyomera, MP
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52. Hon. Osegge Angelline, MP
53. Hon. Ottada Sam Owor Amooti, MP
54. Hon. Ssali Baker, MP
55. Hon. Ssemugaba Samuel, MP
56. Hon. Tashobya B. Stephen, MP
57. Hon. Todwong Richard, MP, Minister in charge of Political Mobilization
58. Hon. Twa-Twa Mutwalante Jeremiah, MP
59. Hon. Odo Tayebwa, MP
60. Hon. Mathias B Nsubuga, MP

**Member of the Parliament of the United Kingdom (House of Commons)**

61. Mr. Mark Pritchard, MP

**Civil Society Representatives – NGOs & Academia**

63. Sarah Kihika, Program Associate, International Center for Transitional Justice (ICTJ)
64. Chris Ongom, Coordinator, Uganda Victims Foundation (UVF)
65. Jane Adong Anywar, Legal Officer, Women’s Initiative for Gender Justice (WIGJ)
66. Annelieke van de Viel, Transitional Justice Lawyer, Refugee Law Project (RLP)
67. Patrict Tumwine, Advocacy Officer, Human Rights Network – Uganda (HURINET)
68. Dismas Nkunda, Africa Coordinator, International Refugees Rights Initiative (IRRI)
69. Victor Ochen, Executive Director, African Youth Initiatives Network (AYINET)
70. Judith Christabella Aceng, Program Officer, International Justice Advocates for Public International Law
71. Patricia Jane Bako, Uganda Coalition for the International Criminal Court (UCICC)
73. Moses Omiat, Coordinator, SODANN
74. Douglas Lukoa Iga, Advocates for Public International Law
75. Masaba Hassan Butoto, President Makerere Law Society (MLS)

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77. Andrew Obanda Lamonya
78. Enid Edoma
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89. Duncan Ondimu  
90. Lillian Drabo  
91. Kakooza James  
92. Ahmed Mayanja  
93. Maria Akio  
94. Kidi Geoffrey  
95. Koojo Eden  
96. Ninsiima Emmanuel  
97. Ogwang Richard  
98. Birungi Cephas

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99. Gabriella Ingerstad, European Union  
100. Paul Otim Okello, European Union  
101. Muras Charlote, Embassy of Germany  
102. Delpine Mukeshimana, Embassy of the Kingdom of Netherlands

**United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights**  
(UNOHR)  

103. Florence Nakazidwe, National Legal Officer

**International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)**  

104. Sylvie Namwase, Legal Officer,

**Government Officials – Ministries & Agencies**

105. Mr. Mike Chibita, Director for Public Prosecutions (DPP) of Uganda  
106. Judge Moses Mukiibi, Head of Division International Crimes, High Court of Uganda  
107. Nathan Twinomugisha, Principal Legal Officer, Amnesty Commission  
108. Margaret Ajok. Technical Advisor, Transitional Justice JLOs  
109. Gilbert Aionomugisha, Clerk, Legal and Parliamentary Affairs Committee  
    Parliament of Uganda  
110. Robert Mugagga, Ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs  
111. Joan Kagezi, Senior Principal State Prosecutor, Directorate of Public Prosecutions (DPP)

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112. Shamiso Mbizvo

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