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23rd Annual Parliamentary Forum "The Role of Parliamentarians in the Development of E-Jan. 25-26, 2002

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(Stockholm, Sweden)



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

PGA's President, Mr. Karl-Göran Biörsmark, MP, (Sweden)

Scarred by the tragedy of September 11th, the year 2001 has become a turning point in the world history. The focus on counter-terrorism and security must be retained in balance with respect for civil liberties and Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA) must take a prominent role in ensuring that in each of our parliaments the balance in maintained. In the light of September 11th PGA's 23rd Parliamentary Forum, The Role of Parliamentarians in the Development of E-commerce and the Internet. scheduled to take place in the fall of 2001 in Sweden was postponed until January 2002 and modified to highlight a Special Parliamentary Session on Counter-Terrorism. Organised in Stockholm, on January 26th, the Special Parliamentary Session culminated in a parliamentarian declaration that called for an international initiative to address the root-causes of terrorism and undertake effective political, social and economic measures aimed at preventing and combating terrorist networks. In order to avoid the terror of terrorism transforming itself into the terror of the State, the fight against terrorism must be executed in compliance with the essential human rights.

PGA's International Law and Human Rights Programme has devoted most of its time to the goal of universal ratification and establishment of the ICC. The programme has had a busy year of events through which it has made significant contributions to the goal of worldwide ratification by conducting conferences on ICC Ratification by Lusophone and SADC countries in Portugal and Namibia, and holding sub-regional briefings and consultations in Brazil, Ghana, Italy, and many European countries. Throughout the year 2001, 21 states ratified the Statute bringing the total number of States Parties to 48 (as of 31 December 2001). PGA projected that the 60th ratification would be deposited in the first half of 2002 and thus, that the Statute would enter into force in the summer of 2002. Work was also done on

implementation in those states already party to the Rome Statute as well as in other countries where such work could contribute to the momentum for ratification of the Statute. In particular, PGA organized two sub-regional conferences as well as several briefings and consultations at the national level. Given the importance of securing worldwide support for the Court and increasing representation in the Assembly of States Parties, PGA began planning a South Asian Regional Conference on the ICC and began a campaign on ratification and implementation of the ICC in such regions as the Commonwealth of Independent States, Eastern and Southern Asia, Africa, as well as the Middle Fast

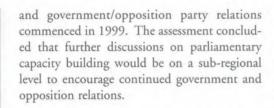
During 2001 PGA's Peace & Democracy Programme has continued its work of peacemaking and strengthening democratic stability through its Task Force on Peace and Democracy. The Task Force has undertaken a number of activities in Côte d'Ivoire towards the peaceful resolution of conflicts between the government and the opposition. At the request of the President of the country, PGA conducted the first parliamentary preventive action mission in February 2001. Following contentious presidential and parliamentary elections along with a failed coup d'etat, the opposition has threatened to boycott the municipal election. The delegation persuaded the opposition to participate in local elections, and convinced the government not to apply all aspects of controversial electoral code. In March 2001, an international team of members observed the municipal elections to ensure that the process was democratic and transparent without fear of voter intimidation. The opposition won the election and now has a stake in the country's stability.

In June 2001 PGA delegation to Tanzania continued the dialogue on democratic oversight of the military as well as good governance issues





Mr. Allan Roger, MP (UK)
PGA President through June 2001



In addition to the work in Africa PGA has organized a roundtable discussion, hosted by the Swedish Parliament, between Greek and Turkish MPs on issues of joint watermanagement cooperation involving environmental, economic, cultural, education and tourism issues. The two delegations signed a resolution at the conclusion of the meeting.

PGA through its Sustainable Development & Population Programme, has remained actively involved in the development of the 1994 Cairo International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) Programme of Action since its inception, and through its worldwide parliamentary network, has worked to implement the Programme at the national level. Junior Professional Officer (JPO) Programme, organized by PGA in collaboration with Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida), has finished its first three-year pilot project in Ghana and Senegal with a tremendous success. We now look forward to the program's work in Mali and Nigeria in 2002.

Although, the progress achieved by the work of PGA in 2001 has been extraordinary, there's still much to be done. In the years I have been with PGA, first as a parliamentary member, then as an International Councilor and Treasurer, I remained confident that it is a crucial organization for parliamentarians. I am very proud that my government came forward with the first core funding grant for PGA and initiated the first JPO programme at PGA. I urge all my colleagues to give full support to

PGA's work. On behalf of my predecessor, Mr. Allan Rogers MP (UK), who stepped down from the UK Parliament in June, I would also like to commend the work led by him and members of PGA Board and International Council. He brought in the system of rotation, gender rule, regional balance, that has made our Board a vibrant and renewed institution. Also I would like to extend my gratitude for the hard work of the staff of PGA under the excellent leadership of PGA Secretary General, Ms. Shazia Rafi at our Secretariat in New York.

The end of the year meeting of Executive Committee postponed to January 2002 has resulted in the election of new Executive Committee, presided by Hon. Kenneth Dzirasah, Second Deputy Speaker, MP (Ghana), who will continue to work with PGA International Council and Secretariat to broaden our horizons in the years to come. *

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The Role of Parliamentarians in the Development of E-commerce and the Internet & Special Parliamentary Session on Counter-Terrorism

The Role of Parliamentarians in the Development of E-commerce and the Internet & Special Parliamentary Session on Counter-Terrorism, took place in at Riksdagen, Stockholm, Sweden on January 25-26, 2002. Due to the tragic events of September 11th the Forum, initially planned for the end of the 2001, was postponed and instead of focusing solely on the topic of e-commerce, was changed to include a special parliamentary session on counter-terrorism. This session culminated in a declaration by parliamentary participants that called for a launching of a joint international initiative to address the root causes of terrorism and undertake effective political, social and economic measures aimed at preventing and combating terrorist networks.

The Role of Parliamentarians in the Development of E-commerce and the Internet Opened by Mr. Karl-Göran Biörsmark, MP (Sweden); PGA President, Hon. A. Moyeen Khan, Minister of Information (Bangladesh) and Dr. Bruno Lanvin, Executive Secretary, DOT Force of The World Bank the first day of the 23rd Annual Forum was devoted to power and potential of e-commerce and the Internet; means of its management for the benefit of the economy and society; the relationship between e-commerce, the government, civil society and business sector, and protection of workers, consumers and political entities involved in electronic transactions. Participants have acknowledged the role of the Internet in bringing people and parliamentarians together, easing international communications and promoting commercial and economic development. However, the potential for development possessed by ecommerce has been severely hampered by wide and difficult to bridge, developmental gap that prohibits countries to realise their electronic networking capacity and utilize e-commerce to its fullest extent.

This problem of so-called 'digital gap' and such means of dealing with it as educational reforms,

trust-building strategies, governmental involvement and security issues became the focal points of the day's discussions. On numerous occasions the panellists have stressed the importance of parliamentarian participation in establishing a comprehensive body of legislation that would regulate the development of e-commerce and provide for its security and ease of access. The necessity of international legal framework regulating online transactions and establishing the binding law of the Internet was offered as one of the trust-building and security-enhancing solutions capable of bridging the digital gap.

Examples of particular logistical and legislative issues arising in consequence of e-commerce spread in such countries as Russia, India, Côte d'Ivoire were presented to the Forum by Mr. Sergey Glazyev, MP (Russian Federation), Mr. Suresh Keshwani, MP (India) Dep. Molle Molle, VP of National Assembly (Côte d'Ivoire).

The final session of the day was devoted to discussion of positive and negative elements of ecommerce and e-communication developments on civil society and overall security problems associated with simple consumer transactions, discussed by Ms. Britta Lejon, Minister

Project Staff:

Ms. Shazia Rafi, Secretary General,

Mr. David Donat-Cattin, Senior Program Officer, International Law & Human Rights

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Ms. Katie Tell, Program Officer, Sustainable Development & Population Program

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Ms. Carrie Cella, Development Associate

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Ms. Roxana Bangura, Administrative & Membership Associate

Ms. Fatimé Dam, Executive Officer



Opening Ceremony

Speaker: Dr. Bruno Lanvin, Executive Director, WorldBank DOT Force; Hon. Moyeen Khan, MP (Bangladesh); Mr. Karl-Göran Biösmark, MP, President, PGA(Sweden), Ms. Shazia Rafi, Secretary-General, PGA





Dip. Margarita Stolbizer, MP (Argentina)

of Democratic Issues, Public Administration and Consumer Policies (Sweden) e-based voting frameworks analysed by Ms. Kate Sullivan, an Associate of International IDEA, and Internet role in human trafficking discussed by Ms. Helena Bargholtz, MP (Sweden). While opening new venues to such criminal activity as human trafficking, the electronic domain has modified the concept of political speech, thus transforming the capacities of democracy itself. Although, as concluded by Ms. Sullivan comprehensive legislature covering extra-territorial domain and enforceable internationally is still to be worked through, the potential benefits of the digital world are enormous.

SPECIAL PARLIAMENTARY SESSION ON COUNTER-TERRORISM

Opened by a keynote address entitled "The Globalization of Rights and Human Development" of Hon. Francesco Rutelli, Leader of the Opposition in the Italian Parliament The Special Session on CounterTerrorism provided an analysis of such counterterrorist means as conflict resolution; building sustainable, healthy, thriving communities; education and opportunity for women; legal measures to combating the root causes of terrorism: war, poverty, disease and endangered environment and inequality.

In order to be fully eradicated, international terrorism must be targeted with the tools aiming at elimination of development debt, promotion of international foreign aid, establishment of universal justice mechanisms and peace-building efforts similar to those undertaken by PGA's Task Force on Peace and Democracy in Africa, South-Eastern Europe and South Asia. A wide cooperative framework between the international organisations and parliamentarians worldwide should become the cornerstone of collaborative and successful anti-terrorism campaign.



Hon. Kenneth Dzirasah, MP (Ghana)

Mr. Staffan Ericksson, Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Science;

Sen. Longin Pastusiak, President, Senate of Poland; Ms. Shazia Rafi, Secretary-General, PGA; Mr. Peter Stein, CEO, Stein Brothers AB (Sweden)

Ms. Birgitta Dahl, MP (Sweden)



Hon. Francesco Rutelli, MP, Leader of Opposition (Italy)

Dep. Victoire Ndikumana (Burundi); Hon. Theresa Ameley Tagoe, MP, Deputy-Minister of Housing and Works (Ghana); Dep. Oumou Ba Sangare (Mali)

Ms. Elissavet Papadimitriou, MP (Greece)

Education and Opportunity for Women

As one of the major causes of terrorism, inequality must receive special attention from international policy-makers. The terrorismproducing inequality measures not only on the level of races or nations, but exists between the groups of the same society in a form of discrimination against minority groups and women. The aims of good governance and democracy that are prerequisite to eradication of terrorism cannot be achieved without proportionate participation of women in the governmental and social affairs of their nations, stressed the panellists of the panel, Dep. Victoire Ndikumana (Burundi), Hon. Theresa Ameley Tagoe, MP, Deputy-Minister of Housing and Works (Ghana), Dep. Oumou Ba Sangare (Mali), Mrs. Elisavet Papadimitriou, MP (Greece). Such participation is to be achieved by enlightening women on democratic processes and principles, raising their awareness of the civil society and governmental policies, allowing them to raise their voices in political and social environments of their countries.

Strengthening Law Enforcement while Respecting Civil Liberties

After the events of September 11th the need to achieve full security has often invaded into other fundamental human rights. Senator Raynell Andreychuk, President of Human Rights Committee (Canada) opened the discourse of universal justice by stressing that the balance of security concerns and human rights issues has to be retained within a democratic system, if the system is to remain democratic and retain both the liberty and security within its framework. In order to avoid the terror of terrorism transforming itself into the terror of the State, the fight against terrorism must be executed in compliance with the essential human rights that are to be enhanced and strengthened with the final ratification and implementation of the Rome Treaty establishing the International Criminal Court (ICC) that will allow for the rule of impartiality resulting from international consensus on justice in the affairs of terrorism. For the meantime that the ICC remains in the process of its formation, lasting cooperative agreements between nations must be established to defeat terrorist fundamentalism by aiding in conflict resolution, establishing comprehensive and working debt-relief systems, and international migration guidelines and practices, promoting sustainable human development and fighting poverty, exclusion and exploitation as root causes of terrorism.

Adhering to International Conventions

As outlined by Mr. Hans Corell, Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs, the Legal Council of the United Nations in his direct video-conference with the Forum, more than 79 countries have ratified 180 international anti-terror conventions and have participated in a number of regional conventions covering the questions of hostages, nuclear weapons, terrorism financing, etc. in the recent months, stated by. However, a more comprehensive and all-inclusive international convention on terrorism that would incorporate clauses on nuclear terrorism and produce a definition of terrorism remains a work in progress that parliamentarians of various parts of the world must speed up and actively participate in. Parliamentarians' role in combating terrorism is to advance international treaty law, applications of which are fully dependent on the willingness of parliamentarians to undertake the fight against terror while protecting the rights of the individual. Recently evoked bio-terrorism also requires international measures that would launch multilateral arms control and disarmament as well as national defence systems. Finding the right trade-off between enhanced preventive measures and the integrity of defensive, national security and industrial assets is a



Rep. Dennis Kucinich (United States)





H. E. President Kim Dae-Jung (South Korea)



Mr. Dipak K.A. Patel, MP (Zambia)



Video-Link from UN Headquarters in New York
H.E. Mr. Hans Corell, Under-Secretary-General for
Legal Affairs, the Legal Council of the United
Nations

difficult, yet attainable challenge for diplomats and parliamentarians to focus on in their effort to prevent future terrorist activity.

Strengthening Banking and Charity Regulations

"\$1.5 trillion a day moves across the boarders every year. With some of this money coming from speculation, financial hedging, and the like, the large amount of it goes to drugs, prostitution, and money laundering that finances terrorist activity worldwide," quoted Mr. Remo Gali, MP (Switzerland). Therefore, the moneylaundering legislation has the power of limiting the terrorist threat by authorising financial sanctions for peace violators, insuring the lifting of banking secrecy in the cases where it is demanded by international jurisdiction; creating possible penal sanctions against financial terrorism as well as non-collaboration with international jurisdiction regimes. The possible breaches of civilian privacy caused by some of these measures as well as the confusion between the terrorist activity and liberation movements must be tackled by the norms of universal jurisdiction incorporated in the duties of the International Criminal Court and the legislation of the United Nations. Furthermore, such legislation should be copied on the local level by nations setting up norms and regulations for effective terrorism prevention.

SIXTH ANNUAL DEFENDER OF DEMOCRACY AWARDS

During the forum, the conference celebrated the Sixth Annual defender of Democracy Awards Dinner. This years Award was given to H. E. President Kim Dae-Jung of South Korea for his lifetime support for human rights and his peace initiative with North Korea and Mr. Dipak Patel, MP, (Zambia) for his struggle to preserve the constitutional integrity of Zambia's democracy. The ceremony, which took place at the Stadshuset (City Hall) where the annual Nobel Banquet is held, was hosted by Axel Wennerholm, Lord Mayor of Stockholm and the PGA Swedish National Group.

Lord Wennerholm and PGA President Mr. Karl-Göran Biörsmark, MP (Sweden) inaugurated the ceremony with welcoming remarks; which were followed by the presentation of the first award by PGA International Council Member Hon. A. Moyeen Khan, Minster of Information (Bangladesh), to Hon. Kim Daejung, President (Republic of Korea). Hon. Hahn Seung Hun (Republic of Korea) graciously accepted the award on Hon. Kim's behalf.

Hon. Kim's struggle for democracy began early in his political career. Four days after being elected to the Fifth National Assembly in 1961, Maj. Gen. Park Chung Hee dissolved the Assembly in a military coup. In 1972, subsequent to the suspension of the Constitution by President Park Chung Hee, Hon. Kim went into his first of two foreign exiles. During this time he organized anti-dictatorship movements in Japan and the United States. In 1973 he was abducted from Tokyo by the Korean Central Intelligence Agency, taken to Seoul and placed under house arrest. Between the years 1976 and 1987 Hon. Kim was intermittently placed in jail, under house arrest with his civil rights suspended, sentenced to death and banned from political activities. In July 1987 he was cleared of all outstanding charges and his political rights were restored. He founded the Party for Peace & Democracy in November 1987 and was elected its president. Retiring from his political career in 1992, he later founded the Kim Dae-jung Peace Foundation for the Asia Pacific Region in 1994, where he served as chairman of the Board of Directors. Hon. Kim's perseverance and dedication to his people was rewarded when in 1997, after three previously unsuccessful bids, he was elected President of the Republic of Korea, where he continues to serve.

Hon. Kenneth Dzirasah, (Ghana), Chair, PGA's Task Force on Peace & Democracy described the painstaking role the second recipient, Mr. Dipak K.A. Patel, MP (Zambia) has





Mr. Peter Olson, Vice President, Sales & Marketing-Operational Development & Support (Ericsson); Mr. Ross Robertson, MP (New Zealand); Ms. Shazia Rafi, Secretary-General, PGA; Mr. Mikael von Otter, Chief Executive Officer, GEA (Swedish Alliance for Electronic Commerce);

Dep. Antonio Carlos Pannunzio, Permanenet Member, Foreign Relations Committee (Brazil)

and continues to exude in protecting Zambia's democratic process and constitutional integrity. Mr. Patel was unable to attend the ceremony at the last minute due to the fact that his Party narrowly won the majority of Parliamentary seats in the latest election and important votes coincided with the ceremony. He therefore sent a representative to accept the award on his behalf.

In 1990, Mr. Dipak K.A. Patel joined a group of citizens to meet and discuss the need for political change and democracy in Zambia. This group later became the Movement for Multiparty Democracy (MMD). In 1995 the MMD introduced a Constitutional Review Commission, which canvassed the country obtaining submissions regarding possible constitutional reform. However, the constitutional changes that were brought by the MMD to Parliament, following the submission of the report to the President, did not reflect the Commission's findings, or the consensus of the nation. Instead the reforms presented were designed to exclude former President Kaunda from contesting the 1996 elections, by requiring Presidential candidates to be born in Zambia "of Zambian parents" (Kaunda's parents were from Malawi). Mr. Patel resigned from the Cabinet and from the National Executive Committee of the MMD in protest against the manipulation of the constitution. He was consequently deselected as a MMD Parliamentary candidate, and ran a successful campaign in the 1996 election as an Independent.

In 2001 the Presidential "third term debate," to allow President Chiluba to run for a third term, began. Mr. Patel was the first MP to speak out on this issue, challenging the "debate" and the proposed constitutional changes in Parliament and the press. That July a group of MPs lodged a motion to impeach President Chiluba. Mr. Patel was one of the petition organizers, which required the Speaker to reconvene Parliament. The Speaker did not respond to the petition,

which resulted in an outcry from concerned MPs, and led to the coverage of much of their evidence against the President in the independent press. Mr. Patel triumphed in the 2001 election, running as a member of the Forum for Democracy and Development Party, which was formed in response to the "third term" debate. It is in this capacity that he persists with his efforts on behalf of his fellow countrymen.

In her closing remarks Ms. Shazia Rafi, PGA Secretary General thanked the Swedish Members of Parliament and the Lord Mayor for their hospitality and reiterated what a fitting tribute this ceremony was in paying homage to the work and dedication the honorees have accomplished and continue to strive towards. *



Mr. Tony Worthington, MP (United Kingdom)



Hon. Kenneth Dzirasah, MP (Ghana); Mr. Bulent Akarcali, MP (Turkey); Dep. Adrien Sibomana (Burundi); Dep. Molle Molle, Vice-President of the National Assembly (Cote d'Ivoire); Mr. K.M. Khan, MP (India)







Mr. Carl Cederschiöld, Mayor of Stockholm

Mr. Karl-Göran Biörsmark, MP (Sweden); PGA
President; Hon. Moyeen Khan, Minister of
Information (Bangladesh); Hon. Hahn Seung Hun,
accepted the award on behalf of Hon. Kim Dae-jung,
President (Republic of Korea)

Mr. Karl-Göran Biörsmark, MP (Sweden); PGA President; Hon. Kenneth Dzirasah (Ghana), Representative of Mr. Dipak K.A. Patel, MP (Zambia)



Defender of Democracy Award Ceremony, City Hall, Stockholm, Sweden



INTERNATIONAL LAW HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAMME

ICC CAMPAIGN 2001

The Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC) requires ratification by sixty states to enter into force. The ICC will exercise its jurisdiction over crimes against humanity, the crime of genocide, and war crimes committed after its entry into force. The goal of the ICC is, indeed, to "put an end to impunity for the perpetrators of these crimes and thus contribute to the prevention of such crimes".

The main objective of PGA's ICC Campaign has been worldwide ratification and early entry into force of the Rome Statute of the ICC. Throughout the year 2001, 21 states ratified the Statute bringing the total number of States Parties to 48 (as of 31 December 2001). PGA projected that the 60th ratification would be deposited in the first half of 2002 and thus, that the Statute would enter into force in the summer of 2002. Due to the hard work of PGA members in about 70 legislatures, this projection proved correct; at the time of writing of this report, 66 States have become parties to the

Rome Statute, which will enter into force on 1 July 2002.

The International Law and Human Rights program has had a busy year of events through which it has made significant contributions to the goal of worldwide ratification. Work was also done on implementation in those states already party to the Rome Statute as well as in other countries where such work could contribute to the momentum for ratification of the Statute. In particular, PGA organized two subregional conferences as well as several briefings and consultations at the national level.

Sub-regional conferences

On 19-20 February 2001, PGA held the "Conference on ICC Ratification in Lusophone Countries" in Lisbon, Portugal. This event was hosted by the President of the Parliament of Portugal in the Senate of Portugal in partnership with several Portuguese national institutions and the Comunidade dos Países de Língua Portuguesa (C.P.L.P. - Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries). The "Plan of Action on ICC Ratification in All Lusophone

Convenor:

Senator A. Raynell Andreychuk (Canada)

Deputy Convenor: Senator Anthony Johnson (Jamaica)

Senior Advisor and Consultant: Prof. Cherif Bassiouni (Egypt), DePaul University, Chicago, US Ambassador Philippe Kirsch (Canada)

PGA Program Staff:
Dr. David Donat-Cattin,
Senior Program Officer
Mr. Juan Kim, Program Associate



PGA's conference in Lisbon, Portugal, February 19-20, 2001

Hon. Speaker Dr. Antonio Almeida Santos, MP, President of the Assembleia de Republica (Portugal); Hon. Speaker Francisco Fortunato Pires, MP, Presidente de la Assembleia Nacional (Sao Tome'et Principe)

London, House of Commons, 17 April 2000

Mr. Allan Rogers, MP (UK), President of PGA; Amb. Philippe Kirsch,
Chairman of the UN ICC PrepComm (Canada); Mr. Tony Worthington, MP (UK);
Lord Goldsmith, Co-Chair of the Human Rights Institute, Int. Bar Association;
Dr. David Donat Cattin, Senior Programme Officer, PGA



PGA's conference in Lisbon, Portugal February 19-20, 2001 Left to Right:

Dr. Armindo Vaz de Almeida, MP, President of the Constitutional and Legal Affairs Committee (Sao Tome' et Principe); Dep. Nilmario Miranda, President of the Human Rights Commission, Câmara dos Deputados (Brazil); Hon. Speaker Francisco Fortunato Pires, MP, Presidente de la Assembleia Nacional (Sao Tome' et Principe): Dr. Dulce Maria Pereira. Executive Secretary. Comunidade dos Países de Língua Portuguesa (C.P.L.P.) (Brazil); Speaker Dr. Antonio Almeida Santos, MP, President of the Assembleia da Republica (Portugal); Dr. Jorge Lacão, MP, President, Constitutional Affairs and Civil Liberties Commission (Portugal); Hon. Speaker Jorge Malu, MP, President of the Assembleia Nacional Popular (Guinea-Bissau); Dr. Teodato Mondim da Silva Hunguana, MP, member of the Permanent Commission, Assembleia da Republica (Mozambique); Dr. Diogenes Boavida, MP, President of the Justice Committee and Former Minister of Justice (Angola)

Countries" was adopted by participants from: Angola, Brazil, Cape Verde, Guinea Bissau, Mozambique, Portugal, Sao Tomé et Principe, and East Timor (transitional authority delegation). The success of this conference led to significant progress in the ratification process of both Portugal and Brazil.

On 28-30 May 2001 in Windhoek, Namibia, PGA, in collaboration with the Namibian Ministry of Justice, the Parliament of Namibia and the International Criminal Court Technical Assistance Program (ICCTAP-Canada) organized the Conference on ICC Ratification and Implementation in the SADC Region. PGA coordinated the participation of MPs and Ministers of Justice from Namibia, Zambia, South Africa and Mozambique. The ICCTAP sponsored Government officials and experts from the SADC States, including those that had already ratified (South Africa, Lesotho, and Botswana). A total of 10 Governments - in addition to Canada and the EU - were repre-

sented. The results of the work of "PGA-JPO" Ms. Wema Isa, Legal Researcher in charge of studying and drafting ICC-related legislation for Namibia were also presented.

At the Conference the Windhoek Plan of Action on ICC Ratification Implementation in SADC, providing specific recommendations to be implemented at the SADC level and at national levels, was adopted. It included an overview of national ICC processes in Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, Mauritius, Mozambique, Seychelles, South Africa, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. One remarkable outcome of the Conference was the announcement by the Mauritius Government at the SADC Law Ministers' meeting held in Gaborone (Botswana) in late June 2001, of its commitment to ratifying the Rome Statute.

Briefings and Consultations

In addition to the sub-Regional conferences, PGA has been active at the national level through briefings, consultations, meetings, and



Angolan Governmental Delegation

Dr. Francis Van-Dune, MP, VP of the Constitutional Affairs
 Committee and Former Prime Minister; Dr. Diogenes
 Boavida, MP, President of the Constitutional & Legal
 Affairs Committee and former Minister of Justice;
 Dr. Victor Simao, Judge at the Supreme Court and Head of the Delegation at the UN ICC PrepComm

PGA Conference in Windhoek, Namibia, May 28-30, 2001 Left to Right:

Hon. Patrick K. Kalifungwa, MP (Zambia); H.E. Mosé P. Tjitendero, Hon. Speaker of National Assembly (Namibia); Hon. Dr. E.N. Ttjiriange, MP, Minister of Justice (Namibia); H.E. Lucie Edwards, High Commissioner of Canada in Southern Africa





PGA Conference in Windhoek, Namibia, May 28-30, 2001

panel discussions. Many of these were conducted in collaboration with other member organizations of the Coalition for the ICC as well as with the national civil society and the academic community in the targeted countries. Specifically, PGA held consultations in Copenhagen (Denmark) and Gaborone (Botswana), as well as participated in substantive meetings in Teramo (Italy), Accra (Ghana), and Buenos Aires (Argentina).

Moreover, parallel to the United Nations General Assembly meeting in the fall of 2001, PGA met with parliamentary delegations from Hungary and Mongolia to discuss the ICC and the prospect of ratification in these countries.

Looking towards 2002

Given the importance of securing worldwide suport for the Court and increasing Asian representation in the Assembly of States Parties, PGA began planning a South Asian Regional Conference on the ICC in the fall of 2001. While the conference itself had to be postponed to 2002 due to the unfavorable climate following the events of September 11th 2001, the groundwork was laid through substantive discussions and concrete planning involving India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Pakistan, the Maldives, and Sri Lanka.

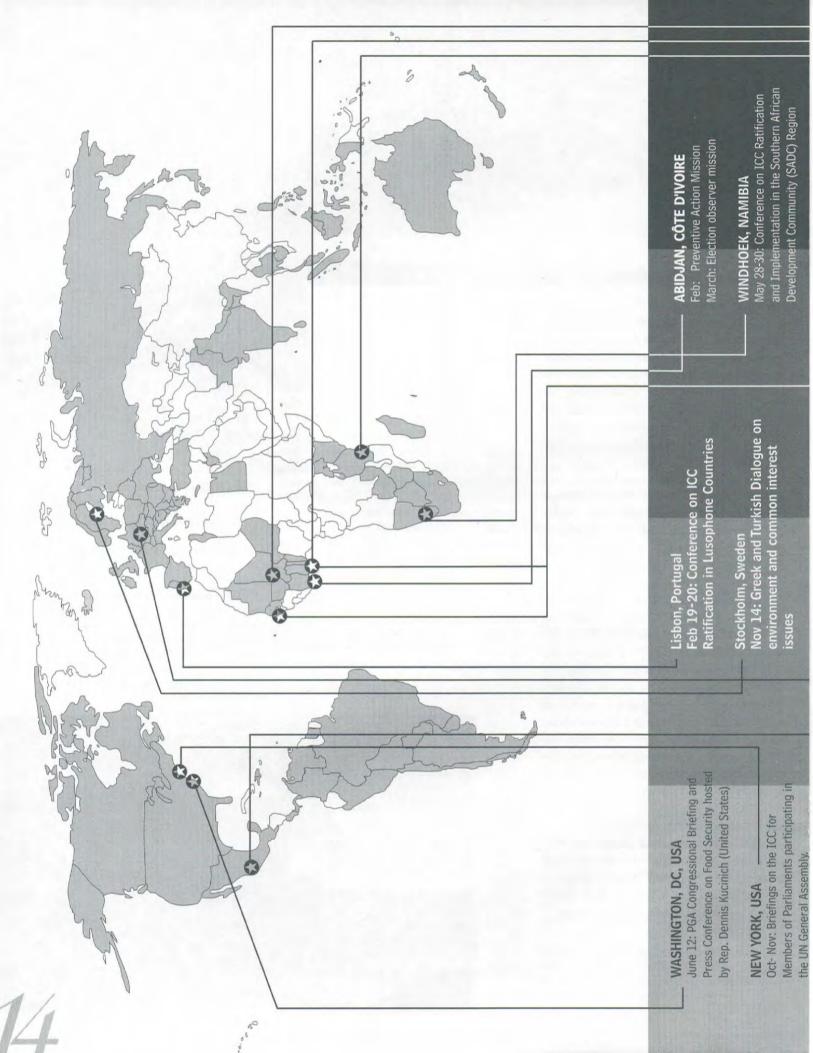
In addition to this regional conference, PGA will pursue its campaign on ratification and implementation of the ICC in such regions as the Commonwealth of Independent States, Eastern and Southern Asia, Africa, as well as the Middle East. *



PGA Conference in Buenos Aires, Argentina Oct 10-11, 2001 Left to Right:

Dip. Cristina Fernándezde Kirchner (Argentina);
Dr. Raúl Alfonsin, Former President and Leader of the
Bloque Radical (Argentina); Dr. Horacio Jaunarena,
Diputado Nacional, Presidente de Capitulo Argenitono de
PGA (Argentina); Dr. Guillermo Moncayo, Professor of
International Law, University of Buenos Aires
(Argentina); Dip. Marcelo López Arias, VP of Bloque
Justicialista (Argentina)





MEXICO CITY, MEXICO

Dec: Briefing on ICC Ratification for Members of the Senate of Mexico

Nov 26-27: Participation at the "Global Development, UNDP and the German Policy Without Democracy? " Forum organized at the Bundestag by the German Foundation for Int. Berlin, Germany

DODOMA, TANZANIA

June 20-24: PGA Assessment Mission

ACCRA, GHANA & DAKAR, SENEGAL

June 2001: Completion of 3-year West Africa Pilot Project in Ghana and Senegal Parliaments

ACCRA, GHANA

aborative delegation/study tour of Nigerian Nov 4-10: PGA/Pathfinder International col-Parliamentarians and population NGOs to

BAMAKO, MALI

Nov 11-16: PGA needs assessment mission

in Mali

IN THE AMERICAS

*Denotes multi-parry PGA National Groups **Awaiting status

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Ms. Haruka Saigo, Parliamentary Assistant

PGA's UNIQUE JPO MODEL

Calling on governments to improve the status of women and the health of children, strengthen families, decrease population growth and reduce consumption of resources, the 1994 Cairo International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) Programme of Action highlighted and reinforced the interconnections between sustainable development and population. PGA has remained involved in the development of the ICPD Programme since its inception, and through its worldwide parliamentary network, has worked to implement the Programme at the national level. Through its unique junior professional officer (JPO) model, PGA galvanizes collaboration among parliaments and their governments, NGOs and the international community, through national-level programmes around population and sustainable development, peace and democracy and international human rights. The JPO serves as the critical link between parliamentary committees on population, environment, defense, budgets and finance -bringing together both majority and minority MPs, fostering the advancement of national population agendas as well as greater transparency and democratic stability in participating parliaments.

The pilot project in Ghana and Senegal ended in June 2001, with a great deal of sustainable successes as an enduring result. The presence of PGA's JPOs in these parliaments was extremely effective in increasing the level of knowledge among com-

mittee members and solidifying the relationship formed between relevant NGOs, organizations and parliamentarians.

Ghana

When Ghana JPO, Staffan Lindberg left in June 2001, the Ghana Parliamentary Caucus on Population and Sustainable Development (GPCPD) had become the most active caucus in Parliament, having increased its membership from 13 to 85 members. As a result of his work, the GPCPD had secured funding from UNFPA for a 5-year program that includes activities relating to data collection, research, capacity building, social mobilization, and advocacy. The program also includes the hiring of three Ghanaian assistant clerks to the GPCPD, to fill the role of the PGA IPO.

A number of fruitful activities were convened by Mr. Lindberg. A briefing on The Financial Implications of HIV/AIDS for Ghana held on March 8, 2001 for both the GPCPD and the Finance Committee resulted in substantial funding received from the UNFPA for a three-month study on the Budgetary Implications of Population Issues with Special Reference to HIV/AIDS for the GPCPD. He also assisted in organizing many HIV/AIDS and adolescent reproductive health activities in Ghana, including workshops in certain MPs' constituencies, training of trainers in participatory appraisal techniques and local development groups training and tracking survey in all constituencies.

Senegal

Similarly, in Senegal, the JPO Mr. Per Bjälkander played an extremely active role in facilitating population projects and activities in Parliament. One of the most important outcomes of the JPO programme in Senegal was the drafting and enactment of a law criminalizing female circumcision/female genital mutilation (FC/FGM). Prior to the JPO programme, there had been no law on the books regarding this practice. Through informational workshops with NGOs and MPs, several key PGA members drafted the law and pushed for its passage.

Mr. Staffan Lindberg, JPO (Ghana)





Mr. Per Bjälkander, JPO (Senegal)



Mr. Nikolas Enander, JPO in Nigeria

Ghana Airforce Jet ride to Navrongo Health and Research Center (NHRC), Navrongo, Ghana

Mr. Bjälkander also organized several workshops and seminars with the Senegalese Parliamentary Network on Population and Development (the Network). The JPO attended a meeting on Female Genital Mutilation/Circumcision (FC/FGM), organized by the World Population Foundation (WPF), in Hilversum, Holland and participated in the first meeting with the Women Parliamentary Caucus, aimed at informing the new women parliamentarians on the workings and organization of a parliamentary caucus.

JPO Placement

The programmes in Ghana and Senegal were successfully completed in 2001. Using the successes and lessons learned from its pilot project, PGA commenced its expansion of the programme to Nigeria and Mali during the Fall of 2001. Sida completed the selection process for the two JPOs for Mali and Nigeria in November. Mr. Niklas Enander who was chosen as the JPO for Nigeria is scheduled to commence his work in Abuja in February 2002, and the JPO for Mali, Ms. Ulrika Broback, is scheduled to begin her work in June 2002.

NOVEMBER MISSION TO GHANA AND MALI

The overall goals of the Nigerian mission to Ghana and Mali Needs Assessment Mission were to introduce the PGA SDP West Africa Population Programme, the role of PGA's IPO, assess the specific population concerns and needs in both countries, and secure a network of MPs and NGOs to work with the incoming JPOs in Mali and Nigeria. During a weeklong study tour/mission, conducted in collaboration with Pathfinder International, Nigeria, on 4-10 November, 2001a delegation of 15 Nigerian MPs and population NGO representatives traveled throughout Ghana to see the outcomes of PGA's 3-year West Africa Population Programme. The goal of the mission was to highlight the successes, both in Parliament and in the field, of PGA's Population Programme activities, coordinated through the work of the Junior Professional Officer (IPO), Stafan Lindberg, and to explore how the programme could be replicated in Nigeria.

After the Nigerian visit to Ghana, a PGA delega-

tion traveled to Mali to conduct a needs assessment mission during which the participants met with MPs, ministers, Parliamentary Networks on population and NGOs and introduced PGA, the SDP Programme and the future work of the incoming JPO. Due to the work and commitment of PGA's members, the SDP missions to Ghana and Mali not only met but also surpassed all expectations and goals. Both missions brought together and formalized cohesive groups of MPs, Ministers and NGOs committed to the PGA population programme and to working with their JPOs.

PGA Congressional Briefing on Food Security, July 12, 2001

On July 12, 2001 PGA co-hosted a briefing on food security with PGA member Rep. Dennis Kucinich (United States). A delegation of 13 PGA members from Canada, France, Sweden, Ireland, India, Jamaica, Chile, Bulgaria, New Zealand, UK, Ghana and US Congressmen participated in the day's events and were able to share their views on Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs). This gathering enabled Rep. Kucinich to introduce American Genetically Engineered Omnibus Act and exchange information and ideas with Parliamentarians from across the globe regarding their country's policy towards GMOs. Legislators from developing countries discussed the effect of GMOs in the imported genetically modified crops on the health of their countries and evaluated possible solutions to educating their peoples on the contents of food they consume. European representatives offered examples of long-existent European laws regarding GMOs; however, the audience has agreed that there is still much work to be done to challenge the pressure of large companies and some European Union members to continue the production of genetically modified pro-

> PGA Congressional Briefing on Food Security, Washington, DC, USA July 12, 2001

Ghana Airforce Jet ride to Navrongo Health and Research Center (NHRC), Navrongo, Ghana Sen. Peter Adeyemo (Nigeria); Sen. Haruna Zego Aziz, (Nigeria); Sen. Khariat Gwadabe (Nigeria); Hon. Agwu O. Nnachi, MP (Nigeria); Hon. Alhaji Abdullah Salifu, Chair, Caucus on Population & Development, MP (Ghana); Ms. Katie Tell, Programme Officer, SDP (PGA); Mr. Sammuel Addei, Senior Protocol Assistant Clerk, Office of Parliament (Ghana); Dr. Y.D. Armiya'u, Medical Director, Katsina Nursing Home (Nigeria); Dr. Grace Delano, Executive Director of the Association for Reproductive & Family Health (ARFH) (Nigeria); Mr. David Gobgab, Programme Manager, Packard Reproductive Health Project; Dr. Jonathan Karshima, Medical Director of the Evangelical Church of West Africa (ECWA); Professor F.E. Okonofua, Exec. Dir. Of Women's Health & Action Research Center (WHARC); Mr. Mike Egboh, Country Representative, Pathfinder International, Nigeria Office; Mrs. Dije Gimba, Programme Officer, IEC in Packard Project, Pathfinder International



PEACE AND DEMOCRACY PROGRAMME.

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Ms. Lisa Von Trapp, Programme Officer (until August 2001)

Ms. Eva Dunn, Programme Officer (from August 2001)

Task Force Preventive Action Mission to Côte d'Ivoire, Feb 2001 Left to right:

Ms. Lisa von Trapp, PGA Programme Officer;
Dep. Palé Dimanté (Côte d'Ivoire); Mr. Bert
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PGA Consultant.

Task Force Preventive Action Mission to Côte d'Ivoire (February 2001, March 2001) A parliamentary preventive action mission was undertaken by the Task Force in February 2001 at the request of the Executive Committee following contentious presidential and parliamentary elections along with a failed coup d'etat attempt in January 2001. These developments led to an already grave and destabilizing security situation in the region. PGA delegates met with H.E. President Laurent Gbagbo, relevant members of his cabinet, parliamentarians and political leaders from the governing and opposition parties, religious leaders, civil society and the diplomatic community. The delegation persuaded the opposition to participate in local elections, and convinced the government not to apply the discriminatory electoral code 150. The delegation, with the support of the Ivorian government, called upon the international community to send election observers during the municipal elections.

An international team composed of members of Parliamentarians for Global Action (from Ghana, Senegal, Canada and the Netherlands), six American and five Dutch diplomats from the American and Dutch Embassies based in Abidjan, including the Ambassadors, observed the municipal elections in March 2001 to ensure that the process was democratic and transparent without fear of voter intimidation. The observer team visited over 100 polling stations in greater Abidjan, plus Grand Bassam. The mission sought to lend continued concrete support to Côte d'Ivoire's transition process,

and encouraged renewed dialogue between President Gbagbo and the main opposition party as well as full participation on the part of all political parties in the municipal elections. The follow-up mission is scheduled to take place in February 2002.

An Assessment Mission to Tanzania (June 2001)

In 1999, PGA's Tanzania National Group (TNG) requested that the country be included as one of four parliaments to serve as a pilot body for the PGA project on parliamentary oversight of security decision-making conducted jointly with the Stockholm Peace Research Institute (SIPRI). The problematic elections in late 2000 and resultant heightened tensions led to an exploratory mission being sent with the mandate to review the capacity and functioning of the defense related committees as a result of the electoral crisis. A delegation from PGA headed by Hon. Kenneth Dzirasah, MP (Ghana), Chair, PGA Task Force on Africa, arrived to Tanzania in March 2001 to conduct a series of meetings with local officials. As the result of the meetings, it was decided that a parliamentary seminar on democratic oversight of security decision-making would be conducted to continue the discussions.

Left to Right:

Dep. Yves Rocheleau (Canada), Ms Theresa Tagoe, MP (Ghana), H.E. Laurent Gbagbo, President of Côte d'Ivoire, Dep. Palé Dimanté (Côte d'Ivoire)





Task Force Preventive Action Mission to Côte d'Ivoire, Feb-March, 2001 Meeting with MPs from Parti Democratique de Côte d'Ivoire

Task Force Preventive Action Mission to Côte d'Ivoire, Feb-March, 2001

PGA Exploratory Mission to Tanzania, June 20-24, 2001

In June 2001 the delegation continued the dialogue on democratic oversight of the military as well as good governance issues and government/opposition party relations to ensure a smooth transition as a result of the Zanzibar fall-out. The recent election controversy due to widespread accusations of mistreatment of the opposition Civic United Front (CUF) led to the boycott of the elections and Parliament by members of CUF, with a subsequent disqualification of those members who had won seats but were boycotting sitting in Parliament. Meetings were held with Members of Parliament, leaders of political parties, and the diplomatic corps. PGA determined the viability of implementing an extended program that would seek to build the capacity of Tanzania's and other African nations' parliaments to oversee the military. The assessment concluded that further discussions on parliamentary capacity building would be on a sub-regional level to encourage continued government and opposition relations. The follow-up mission is expected to take place in July 2002.

GREEK-TURKISH DIALOGUE

Parliamentarians for Global Action organized a roundtable discussion with Members of Parliament from the Parliaments of Greece and Turkey on November 14, 2001 in the Swedish Parliament in Stockholm to hold discussions on issues of environmental, economic, cultural, education and tourism issues. PGA members as well as an expert on water management issues facilitated the meeting. These discussions were

initiated by a dialogue on water resource issues in the Aegean Sea, in seeking areas of agreement for bilateral cooperation. Improving water distribution, sharing information on water runoff and usage, and polluted waters all were concerns requiring the input of parliamentarians alongside engineers. The establishment of joint projects, or a parliamentary taskforce to also include technical experts were proposed to provide more analytical studies of water issues. Public works projects, as well as bilateral parliamentary cooperation to support business, economy and trade, tourism and environmental concerns, would develop at the regional level along the borders of Greece and Turkey.

The two delegations signed a resolution at the conclusion of the meeting, noting their intention to take the discussions forward in further parliamentary exchanges to continue to enhance cooperation between Greece and Turkey. A second meeting to be held in January 2002 is to further develop concrete proposals that could be submitted by September 2002 to the European Union for funding a bilateral project. Additionally, the two delegations would present the conclusions of the series of Greek-Turkish sessions at the Water Management Seminar at the United Nations Rio +10 meeting to be held in August 2002 in Johannesburg, South Africa. *



Roundtable Discussion with Parliamentarians from Greece & Turkey, Nov 14, 2001. Left to Right:

Mr. Abdullatif Sener, MP (Turkey); Mr. Ahat Andican, MP (Turkey); Mr. Karl-Göran Biösmark, MP (Sweden); Ms. Edit Herczog, MP (Hungary); Mr. Lars Hjerten, MP (Sweden); Ms. Elisavet Papademetriou, MP (Greece); Mr. Evripidis Stylianidis, MP (Greece), Mr. Klas Sandstrom, PGA Environmental Expert



Left to Right:

Amb. Sten Rylander, Swedish Ambassador to Tanzania; Sen. Raynell Adreychuk (Canada); CUF Member (Tanzania); Hon. Kenneth Dzirasah, MP, Second Deputy Speaker (Ghana); Mr. Hohn Cheyo, Leader of the United Democratic Party (Tanzania); Mr. Wayne Hammond, High Commissioner (Canada), Mr. Ibrahim Lipumba, President of the Civic Untied Front

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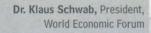
The goal of the PGA Business Council is to create a partnership between leaders in the business community and their counterparts in the world's parliaments, all of whom are working towards a peaceful, stable and just world con-

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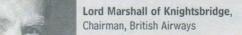
community, dedicated to promoting peace, the rule of law, economic growth and social equity





Mr. François Loeb, Managing Director of Loeb Department Stores







2001 Executive Committee International Council

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Executive Committee Meetings Results

During the June 2001 meeting, The Executive Committee of PGA adopted a modestly revised set of guidelines dealing with National groups, discussed membership criteria and relevant conditions of membership, established rotation, gender rule and regional balance in the Board's membership. Due to the events of September 11th, the Board Meeting initially scheduled for the end of the year 2001 was postponed until January 2002. During this meeting the Executive Committee approved the plan of activities for 2002 for all three working PGA programmes.

See next page

Dutch PGA National Group meeting Left to Right: Mr. Boris Dittrich, MP Mr. Gerrit Jan Van Oven, MP Ms. Shazia Rafi, PGA Secretary General Mr. Bert Koenders, MP Dr. Maxime Verhagen, MP Drs. Jan Hoekema, MP



*National Group Representative

As a result of this meeting a new Executive Committee comprised of the following members was elected:

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Swedish PGA National Group meeting Left to Right:

Mr. Lennart Kollmats, MP; Ms. Anne-Charlotte Amneus, Parliamentary Office of the Liberal Party; Mr. Bertil Persson, MP; Mr. Karl-Göran Biörsmark, MP; Ms. Shazia Rafi, PGA Secretary General; Mr. Nicklas Lundblad, President, Stockholm Chamber of E-commerce, Stockholm Chamber of Commerce; Ms. Ann-Marie Nilsson, General Manager, IT-Företagen; Mr. Lars Hjerten, MP; Ms. Birgitta Ahlqvist, MP; Mr. Willy Söderdahl, MP; Ms. Rose-Marie Frebran, MP; Ms. Marianne Samuelsson, MP

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The Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA)	54,109.00
The Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs & International Trade	62,051.00
The Department for International Development (DFID) -UK	281,900.00
The Royal Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (DANIDA)	118,083.00
The European Commission	279,402.00
The Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs	46,898.00
The Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA)	251,646.00
	1,094,089.00
FOUNDATIONS	
The Ford Foundation	215,000.00
The William & Flora Hewlett Foundation	200,000.00
Stewart R. Mott Charitable Trust	10,000.00
_	425,000.00
INSTITUTIONS	
Pathfinder International	19,598.00
Francophonie	2,560.00
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financial report

Winnie Tam & Co, P.C., member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants, conducts the annual audit of Parliamentarians for Global Action.

The complete financial statements are available upon request by writing to:

The Financial Director Parliamentarians for Global Action 211 East 43rd Street, Suite 1604 New York, NY 10017, USA

To the Board of Directors,

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of the Parliamentarians for Global Action as of December 31, 2001 and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Parliamentarians for Global Action's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Parliamen-tarians for Global Action as of December 31, 2001 and the change in its assets and its cash flows for the year ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Winnie Jam & C. P.C.

New York, New York February 16, 2002

PARLIAMENTARIANS FOR GLOBAL ACTION STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2001

ASSETS U	Operating Operating	Reserve	Temporarily Restricted	Total All funds
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	147,657	579,065	491,476	1,218,198
Investments		268,975		268,975
Grants and contribution receivable	6,070		82,600	88,670
Other receivable	19,518			19,518
Prepaid expenses	5,367			5,367
Total Current Assets	178,612	848,040	574,076	1,600,728
Fixed Assets				
Fixed assets, at cost net				
of accumulated depreciation	18,001			18,001
of \$182,217				
Other Asset				
Security deposits	15,474			15,474
Total Assets	212,087	848,040	574,076	1,634,203
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
LIABILITIES				
Current Liability				
Accounts and accrued				
expenses payable	53,594			53,594
Deferred program revenue	33,677			33,677
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Total Liabilities	87,271			87,271
NET ASSETS				
Unrestricted				
Operating fund	124,816			124,816
Reserve fund		848,040		848,040
	124,816	848,040		972,856
Temporarily Restricted			574,076	574,076
Total Net Assets	124,816	848,040	574,076	1,546,932
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	212,087	848,040	574,076	1,634,203
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PARLIAMENTARIANS FOR GLOBAL ACTION STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2001

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Tota All Fund
SUPPORT AND REVENUE			
Contributions - Foundations	46,250	333,750	380,000
Contributions - Individuals	11,277	333,730	11,27
Contributions - U N and governments	262,960	793,370	1,056,33
Contributions - Institutions	2,560	25,198	27,75
Direct mail	12,819	23,170	12,81
Program Revenue	106,770		106,77
Membership dues	9,864		9,86
Investment income	31,353		31,35
Other			
Other	(4,607)		(4,607
Total Support and Revenue	479,246	1,152,318	1,631,56
Net assets released from restrictions Satisfaction of			
purpose restrictions	693,752	(693,752)	
Total Support and Revenue	1,172,998	458,566	1,631,56
EXPENSES Program Services			
Democracy	226,877		226,87
International Law	193,952		193,95
Annual Forum	59,650		59,65
	204,120		204,12
Sustainable Development and Empowerment of Women			
Total Program Services	684,599		684,59
SUPPORTING SERVICES			
Administrative and general	334,105		334,10
Fund raising	27,581		27,58
Total Supporting Services	361,686		361,68
Total Expenses	1,046,285		1,046,28
Change in Net Assets	126,713	458,566	585,27
Net Assets as of December 31, 2000	846,143	115,510	961,65

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