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## ***REGIONAL PARLIAMENTARIAN SEMINAR***

***SAVANA HOTEL DAKAR, SENEGAL - 27-28 FEBRUARY & 1 MARCH, 2006***



PARLIAMENTARY CENTRE  
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# ***PGA REGIONAL SEMINAR: THE ROLE OF PARLIAMENT AND PARLIAMENTARIANS IN ADDRESSING SMALL ARMS, CONFLICT PREVENTION AND TRANSITIONAL DEMOCRACY AND JUSTICE IN AFRICA***

### ***In partnership with:***

***Assemblée Nationale du Sénégal  
European Parliamentarians for Africa (AWEPA)  
Parliamentary Centre of Canada (CPC)  
Parliamentary Network of The World Bank (PNoWB)  
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)  
United Nations Office for West Africa (UNOWA)***

## **AGENDA**

***Day I – 27 February 2006***

**09:15 – 10:00      Opening Session**

**Welcome Address by the Chair of the PGA National Group of Senegal**

**Welcome Remarks by PGA, AWEPA, CPC, PNoWB, UNDP and UNOWA,**

**Opening Remarks by The Speaker of The National Assembly, Senegal**

**10:00 – 10:15      Coffee Break**

**10:15 – 12:30 Overview: The Role of Parliaments and Parliamentarians in Conflict Management and Peace building: Clearing House and Negotiation**

**Introduction:**

Mr. Pär Granstedt, AWEPA Vice-President

**Democratization/ Institutionalization of Political Power Rotation for Conflict Prevention**

Mr. Mose Tjintendero, former Speaker, Namibia Parliament

Mr. Anatole Ayissi, The World Bank

**Regional cooperation**

Hon. Willies Mchunu, Speaker KwaZulu Natal, South Africa

Hon. Johan Van Hecke, European Parliament

**12:30 – 14:00 Luncheon offered by**

**14:00 – 16:00 *Small Arms/Light Weapons – The Role of Parliamentarians***

**Interpretation and Implementation of the United Nations Program of Action on Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons – Priorities for the UN Review Conference**

**Addressing illicit international, regional and intra-state small arms flows**

**Existing National and Regional Controls on Small Arms/Light Weapons – Nairobi Protocol; ECOWAS Moratorium, SADC Working Group on Small Arms – Harmonization of Legislation**

**By:**

1. Hon. David Musila (Kenya) – to discuss latest developments pertaining to the Nairobi Protocol
2. Hon Raphael Chegeni (Tanzania) - to discuss latest developments in the Great Lakes Region on Small Arms
3. Hon. Manuel de Araujo (Mozambique) - to speak about SADC Region and Small Arms
4. Mr. Ibrahim Sorie (Sierra Leone) – to speak about ECOWAS Moratorium
5. Mr. Luc Dhoore, former Minister, Belgium, AWEPA Council Member: Burundi, Rwanda, DRC Experience of Legislation Harmonization (Parliamentary Support for Nairobi Protocol on Small Arms)

**16:00 – 16:15 Coffee Break**

**16:15 – 17:45 Small Arms Light Weapons Supply – Codes of Conduct**

**Small Arms and Development**

## Crime and Development in West Africa

### Addressing Gaps in Current Controls

#### The proposed Arms Trade Treaty

**By:**

1. Ms. Ana Gomes, Member of the European Parliament (Portugal) - European Parliament position
2. Mr. Antonio Mazzitelli, Regional Representative, UN Office on Drugs and Crime - Crime & Development in West Africa
3. UK Ambassador to Senegal, Mr. Peter Newall - Transfer Controls and international Arms Trade Treaty
4. Chargé d'Affairs of Embassy of Canada, Ms. Agathe Frappier

**Diner offered by the Speaker of the National Assembly of Senegal**

*Day II – 28 February, 2006*

**09:30 – 10:15      Addressing the Demand for Small Arms and Light Weapons: The Role of Parliamentarians**

**By:**

1. Mr. Ingrid Circene (Latvia)
2. Hon. Khalifa Ababacar Sall (Senegal)

**10:15 – 11:30      Mobilizing Constituents and collaboration with Civil Society**

**By:**

1. Dep. Mamadou Lamine Thiam (Senegal)
2. Mr. Robert Miller, Center for Peace and Democracy (Liberia)
3. Representative from WAANSA, Dr. Christiane Agboton Johnson
4. Representative from Amnesty International, Senegal M. Bathily

**11:30 – 11:45      Coffee Break**

**11:45 – 13:00      Small Arms - The Gender Dimension**

**By:**

1. Mr. Guillaume Landry, West Africa Project Manager, Coalition to Stop the Use of Child Soldiers
2. Dr. Christiane Agboton Johnston, Director of Le Mouvement Contre les Armes Légères en Afrique de l'Ouest(MALAO)

**13:00 – 14:00      Luncheon offered by MAE (à confirmer)**

**14:00 – 15:30      Small Arms Light Weapons Stockpiles Security and Dealing with  
Obsolete/Excessive Weapons Stockpiles**

**Securing Arms Stockpiles, National Security Policies & Excess/Obsolete Arms**

**By:**

1. M. Marc-Antoine Morel, UNDP Small Arms Division - Geneva
2. Hon. Worlea-Saywah Dunah, Republic of Liberia

**16:00 – 17:00      Tour of The National Assembly of Senegal (*Suggested*)**

**Dinner offered by the Prime Minister of Senegal**

*Day III - 1 March, 2006*

**09:30 - 12:15      Justice, Conflict Prevention and Post-Conflict Justice and Reconciliation**

**Introduction: Crimes committed during conflict and jurisdiction(especially sexual and gender crimes)**

**By:**

Ms Nora Owen, Former Minister of Justice, Ireland, AWEPA Council Member

**The International Criminal Court (ICC) – Analysis of the relevant provisions of The Rome Statute & the ICC as a potential force in Conflict Prevention**

Senator Alain Destexhe, Belgium, President of PGA

Representative of the Sudanese Delegation

**Coffee Break ( 10:30 – 10:45)**

**Special Court for Sierra Leone and Alternative Justice Models (Special Court for Sierra Leone, Liberian Inter-Faith Council; Sierra Leone Truth and Reconciliation Committee (TRC); South African TRC) – Evaluation of effectiveness**

**By:**

Imam Habib Sherrif, First Vice Chairman, National Muslim Council of Liberia; Executive Member, Inter-Religious Council of Liberia; Member, (WAIRCC);

Mr. E. Joeseph, MP (Sierra Leone)

Representative from Sudanese Parliament

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| <b>12:15 – 12:30</b> | <b>Coffee Break</b> |
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| <b>12:30 – 13:15</b> | <b>Wrap-Up Session: Capacity building for Parliamentarians in Conflict Prevention</b> |
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**Inter-Parliamentary Networking/Improving National Strategies**

Hon. Johan Van Hecke, Member of the European Parliament

**Preliminary development of Indicators to measure Parliamentary Performance in Conflict Prevention, Conflict Resolution and Peace-building**

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| <b>13:15 – 14:15</b> | <b>Lunch (<i>Dakar Action Plan</i> (incorporating a Tool Kit) Drafting Committee/Working Group Meets Separately to Develop First Draft)<br/>Offered by the PGA National Group of Senegal</b> |
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| <b>14:15 – 16:00</b> | <b>Plenary Drafting Session for Parliamentarians of <i>Dakar Action Plan</i> followed by Adoption of <i>Dakar Action Plan</i></b> |
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| <b>16:00 – 17:00</b> | <b>Closing</b> |
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**Concluding Remarks by PGA, AWEPA, CPC, PNoWB, UNDP and UNOWA – The Way Forward**

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| <b>Diner offered by the President of CRAES</b> |
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