PGA Regional Round-Table Discussion on the Implementation of
The Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court

Parliament Building of Sierra Leone – Freetown – 18th, January 2008 - AGENDA

9:30 – 10:00  Registration & Tea

10:00-10:45  Introduction of Chairman – Hon. Mrs. Elizabeth Alpha-Lavalie, MP Chair of Human Rights Committee

Chairman’s Opening Remarks – Hon. Chief Justice of Sierra Leone – Dr. Ade Renner-Thomas

Welcome Remarks/Statements – Speaker of Sierra Leone Parliament, Hon. Justice Abel N.B. Stronge

Attorney General and Minister of Justice of Sierra Leone, Hon. Abdul Serry Kamal

Head of European Commission Delegation to Sierra Leone, H.E. Mr. Hans Alldén

Legal Reform Initiative Representative, Ms. Glena Thompson

Chairman of Manifesto 99, Mr. Abdulrahim Kamara

Member of PGA National Group of Sierra Leone – Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai, MP

10:45-11:00  Keynote Address – Anti-Corruption Commissioner of Sierra Leone – Mr. Abdul Tejan-Cole

11:00- 1:00  Implementation of The Rome Statute of The ICC – Perspectives and Positions from Other Countries in The Region

(1) Liberia - Hon. Varforay Kamara, MP Representative, Co-Chair, Judiciary Committee

(2) Ghana - Hon. Albin Bagbin, MP (Leader of The Opposition) and Hon. Haruna Idrissu, MP

(3) Nigeria – Senator Suleiman Asonye Adokwe

Ensuring conformity of domestic law with the Rome Statute of the ICC

H.E. Amb. Allieu Ibrahim Kanu, Permanent Mission of Sierra Leone to the United Nations

Dr. David Donat Cattin, Director, Intl. Law & Human Rights Programme, PGA

Interactive Discussion

1:00-2:00  Lunch hosted by Parliament of Sierra Leone

2:00-3:00  Enacting Laws of Cooperation with the ICC (Followed by Interactive Discussion)

Mr. Herman von Hebel, Registrar of the Special Court for Sierra Leone

Ms. Alison A. Smith, Legal Counsel, No Peace Without Justice (NPWJ)

3:00-3:20  Concluding Summary and Observations

Rapporteur-Mr. Peter Barcroft, Sr. Programme Officer, Intl. Law & Human Rights, PGA

3:20-3:30  Closing Remarks – Hon. Ibrahim Sorie, MP (Sierra Leone), Chair Emeritus, PGA National Group, PGA

Executive Committee Member and Convenor, PGA Peace & Democracy Programme

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