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**CONSULTATIVE MISSION TO KENYA
11TH-14TH APRIL 2005
MISSION REPORT**



The Meeting with NGOs at the Stanley Hotel, Nairobi

“Peace is extremely important in Africa...many countries have gone through periods of violence and are now emerging from transitional phases...appropriate courses need to be offered at universities and perhaps further down, to make sure people understand the necessity to live in a cohesive society. We want to develop people who understand the challenges we are living with...the need to live together, to be tolerant.”

Hon. Prof. George Saitoti, Minister for Education, Science and Technology, Government of Kenya

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1.0 Executive Summary

1.1. A UPEACE delegation traveled to Kenya as part of a Consultative Mission from 11th to 14th April 2005 in response to an invitation by the Government of Kenya in 2004 through the then Minister for Foreign affairs, Hon. Steven Kalonzo Musyoka to meet Government authorities, academic and other relevant institutions and explore possible areas of cooperation.

1.2. The mission was composed of Dr Edith Natukunda, Dean of African Studies and Head of the Department of Peace and Conflict Studies at UPEACE Headquarters, Costa Rica, Prof. Christof Heyns, Academic Coordinator of UPEACE, Africa Regional Programme, Mr Patrick ORR, Adviser , Africa Regional Programme and Dr Jean-Bosco Butera, newly appointed Director of the UPEACE Africa Programme.

1.3. This Consultative Mission followed a preliminary visit to Kenya by Mr Patrick Orr on 25-27 August 2004. During his visit, Mr. Orr met several representatives of the Kenya Government, academia, civil society groups, UN organizations and the media. He reported “considerable interest in UPEACE activities in Kenya”. Mr. Orr’s report notes that although the meetings of the preliminary visit were comprehensive, they did not cover “all the major individuals and organizations active in peace issues.” Seen from this angle therefore, the present Consultative Mission was aimed at further consolidating the institutional contacts made in August 2004 and soliciting more extensive information on possible areas of cooperation with institutions and practitioners in the field of peace in Kenya.

1.4. The current mission undertook the following specific tasks:

- Explain further the mission and programmes of UPEACE as well as the activities of its Africa Regional Programme.
- Assess the possibility of establishing relationships or links for UPEACE by discussing with several governments units, educational institutions, civil society organizations, faith-based bodies and individual practitioners in peace-related activities.
- Identify existing capacity within universities/organizations and identify the need, if any, for strengthening this capacity.
- Conduct a press conference at the end of the Mission to inform the public about UPEACE activities and to introduce Dr. Jean-Bosco Butera as the new Director of the UPEACE Africa Regional Programme (ARP)

1.5. In general terms, the UPEACE delegation and its message about what it wants to achieve in Africa was well received in Kenya and links in well with a number of current needs and initiatives in Kenya.

1.6. The Consultative Mission observed that peace practitioners in Kenya are playing a critical role not only in the stability of this country, but also in the diffusion of conflict situations in the whole region. There are many opportunities that UPEACE can explore to establish partnerships with organizations and institutions in Kenya.

1.7. The main conclusions and recommendations that can be made for such partnerships are as follows:

- Several institutions and organizations, such as the University of Nairobi, Egerton University, Hekima College, Africa Peace Forum, National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCCK), AMANI Forum, are interested in working with the University for Peace in the dissemination of UPEACE training material, packages and the short courses to be launched in Addis Ababa. They should be considered amongst the potential participants of these activities.
- The University of Nairobi would like to discuss the possibility of an MOU with UPEACE, the Deputy Vice Chancellor designated the Director of the Institute of Diplomacy and International Studies, as the contact person for this linkage.
- Capacity building of lecturers in peace related areas at PhD level was ranked very high as a felt need in the Kenyan universities that were consulted. The proposed Integrated Research Programme of UPEACE could incorporate this need.
- Universities showed keen interest in publishing on peace-related subjects. This demonstrated an obvious need for a dedicated journal in the field of peace, which is managed and tailor-made to serve the needs of UPEACE. The proposed journal of the UPEACE Africa Programme could take up the offer of starting with existing materials from MA dissertations on Peace and Conflict topics.
- It is historically and politically important to document the different peace processes undertaken by peace pioneers in Kenya (narratives, DVD, CD Rom and documentaries). Community best practices in peace building also need documentation. This is a joint venture that could serve as a pilot project for similar initiatives in other countries in Africa.
- A resource center of materials applicable to peace initiatives developed by civil society should be established in the office of the Director of the ARP in Addis Ababa. This will be a resource for identification of best practices in this area to researchers and practitioners from around Africa (International organizations and governments seem to have their own established data bases).
- Kenya would be interested in joining a proposed regional MA in “Media for Peace”. Discussions need to be made with the School of Journalism of the University of Nairobi and the Nation Media Group for follow-up actions (participating students, internship opportunities, etc).
- Suggestions were made on thematic areas for short courses under the Africa Regional Programme:- practical skills of diplomacy and dispute settlement, peace-building for media professionals, basic peace and conflict studies for community and religious leaders, indigenous methods of conflict transformation and human rights, managing peace processes for government officers.

1.8. The Consultative Mission delegation is of the view that the wealth of experience and expertise available at different levels in Kenya makes it a country of high strategic importance for UPEACE work in the region.

2.0 Background to the Consultative Mission

The stability and democratic governance of Kenya, within the conflict prone Great Lakes Region of Africa, has earned it the respect of its neighbours and the international community at large. This reputation has been further strengthened by the active role of the Kenya government in mediation efforts in Mozambique, Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sudan and Somalia. Furthermore Kenya's peacekeeping forces have served in recent years in Sierra Leone, the border area between Ethiopia and Eritrea, and as far as Bosnia.

Although Kenya has been experiencing since 1982 varied forms of internal conflicts, its endogenous peace efforts have contained the conflicts and resulted in Kenya remaining a relatively peaceful country. It is against this background of such best practices that the UPEACE Mission was conducted in Kenya from 11 to 14 April 2005 in response to the government of Kenya's invitation through the Hon. Steven Kalonzo Musyoka. to explore possible areas of cooperation with government authorities, academic and other relevant institutions .

The Consultative Mission was aimed at further consolidating the institutional contacts made in August 2004 and soliciting more extensive information on possible areas of cooperation with practitioners in the field of peace in Kenya.

2.1. Composition of the Mission Team

At its first meeting on the 10th April 2005 in Nairobi, the Mission team from UPEACE agreed on the following mode of organization:

-Dr Jean-Bosco Butera, Director of the Africa Regional Programme, Head of the Delegation

-Mr. Patrick Orr, Advisor to the Africa Programme, Coordinator of the Consultative Mission

-Prof. Christof Heyns , Academic Coordinator of the Africa Programme, Member.

-Dr Edith Natukunda-Togboa, Dean of African Studies at UPEACE Headquarters in Costa Rica, Member

2.2. Objectives of the Consultation

The objectives of the mission were stated as follows in the mission document:

“To meet with Government and representatives of universities, research institutions, non-governmental organizations and civil society groups in order to make an initial assessment of their interest in participating in a collaborative programme with UPEACE. A preliminary examination of the various aspects of establishing such a programme will be undertaken. The mission team is also hoping to identify the issues and substantive areas within the UPEACE range of activities which will be of most relevance and value to Kenya, together with specific courses, modules and training programmes that would form the basis of a collaborative venture.

It will be necessary to identify existing capacity within universities and identify the needs, if any, for strengthening this capacity.

The mission also provided a core group of members of the Africa Programme the opportunity to get to know each other and to meet the newly appointed Director of the Africa Programme.

Specifically, the mission undertook to do the following:

-Explain further the mission and programmes of UPEACE as well as the activities of its Africa Regional Programme.

-Assess the possibility of establishing relationships or links for UPEACE by discussing with several governments units, educational institutions, civil society organizations, faith-based bodies and individual practitioners in peace-related activities.

-Identify existing capacity within universities/organizations and identify the need, if any, for strengthening this capacity.

-Conduct a press conference at the end of the Mission to inform the public about UPEACE activities and to introduce Dr. Jean-Bosco Butera as the new Director of the UPEACE Africa Regional Programme (ARP).

2.3. Methodology

The mission was organized on the basis of a series of meetings, some of them with an individual focus on one or two representatives from an organization, while other meetings brought together a panel of several practitioners operating in a similar sector domain.

During the meetings, the Coordinator of the mission introduced the team and its main purpose of consulting. The Director of the ARP made the general introduction of UPEACE; the Dean of African Studies presented UPEACE programmes on campus and how they link to ARP, while the Academic Coordinator introduced the activities of the Africa Regional Programme. The Coordinator of the mission added supplementary information whenever the need arose. The main purpose of the discussions was to assess interest of cooperation with UPEACE, strengths that the interested party would bring into the network, challenges that would have to be overcome and intention to participate in specific activities of the ARP. In addition to the discussions/interviews, observation of facilities in institutions, such as IT connectivity, conference space, library facilities was effected whenever time allowed.

3.0 **Representatives of Institutions and Organizations Consulted in Kenya**

3.1. Representatives of Government Departments/Units

PERSONS CONSULTED	DEPARTMENT/ UNIT OF GOVERNMENT	PEACE-RELATED ACTIVITIES UNDERWAY
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Lady Justice Mary Ang'awa	The Judiciary/High Court of Kenya. Rep. Women Judges Association –Kenya Chapter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special training for the Judiciary on justice and equity, regional Eastern Africa programme • Set up the family court (settlement of domestic disputes) • Training on the Children's Act to lower levels of the judiciary
Hon. Stephen Kalonzo Musyoka	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, Minister	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As former Minister of Foreign Affairs role model in Somalia and Sudanese peace processes • Interest in making a DVD or CD-Rom contribution for documenting his role in the different peace processes Kenya has been involved in
Prof Michael Chege	Ministry of Planning and National Development, Advisor on Kenya and the Peer Review Mechanism (NEPAD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessing the use of a series of indicators of progress, including good governance, peaceful management of conflict and efforts of democratisation • NEPAD review process brings together the government, civil society and private sector – a possible forum for multi-faceted development review
Hon. Prof. George Saitoti	Ministry of Education Science and Technology, Minister	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated the theme of peaceful co-existence in the session paper on Education and Training that provides the wider framework of all educational programmes in Kenya
Prof Karega Mutahi	Ministry of Education Science and Technology, Permanent Secretary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered the Ministry's support for UPEACE in the establishment of linkages to work with Kenyan universities
Ambassador Boaz K. Mbaya	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Secretary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit for issues on the Great Lakes region established to follow up recommendations of regional Conference of the Great Lakes Region in Dar-es-Salaam (2004). Unit will be involved in Peace and security issues of the region. • Foreign officers of the Ministry have been involved in the different peace initiatives in the region. • Practical use of peace skills in different aspects of diplomacy

3.2. Educational Institutions Consulted

PERSONS CONSULTED	EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION/UNIT	PEACE-RELATED ACTIVITIES UNDERWAY
Dr. E. Borr	Department of Sociology, Egerton University, Head of Department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course of Humanitarian International Law in collaboration with ICRC • Within MA Sociology, trying to introduce Peace and Conflict Management option

Dr Ngetich	Egerton University, In Charge of Linkages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community training in Nakuru area for elders, chiefs and individuals (more than 1,000 grass-roots community members have attended these short courses).
Dr Hadija Matuli Murenga	Department of Sociology, Faculty Member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaboration with Boston University in health security programme that includes environmental, conflict and HIV/AIDS issues
Ms Beatrice Onzarigo	Department of Sociology, Faculty Member	
Fr. Eugene Goussi-Kindey	Hekima College, Catholic University of East Africa, Principal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MA Peace Studies, 10 students from lay backgrounds and different faiths. • Collaboration with University of Notre Dame (USA) as part of Catholic Peace Network.
Mrs Prisca Kamungi	Institute of Peace studies and international relations, Hekima College, Programme Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involvement in organizing peace-focused regional/continental conferences.
Prof. Jacob T. Kaimenyi	University of Nairobi, Deputy Vice Chancellor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University of Nairobi is an established institution with much experience at national, regional and international levels.
Dr. Makumi Mwangiru	Institute of Diplomacy and International Relations, University of Nairobi, Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing research capacity in the field of Peace and Conflict Studies • Existing MA dissertations from students who have done research on peace-keeping, civil war, genocide, and peace processes. Offer for joint publication in ARP peace journal.
Dr Wambui Kiai	School of Journalism, University of Nairobi, Lecturer and Researcher	
Prof. Wanyande	Faculty of Arts, University of Nairobi, Dean	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing courses in the Media, Diplomacy, History and Development Studies that integrate Peace and Conflict issues.
Prof. Achola	Department of History, Head of Department	
Dr K'Obonyo	College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Deputy Principal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing short courses on negotiation, for practical skills (3 months) • Overall, over 30 collaborative research initiatives underway
Ms Mary Omesa	Centre for International Linkages, Institute of Development Studies,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MA Humanitarian Law incorporates armed conflict

Dr. Albert Mumma	lecturer and researcher Faculty of Law, University of Nairobi, Lecturer, In Charge of Examinations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural resource based conflicts and conflict-induced migration integrated in different programmes in the Faculty of Law.
Dr. Kithure Kindiki	Faculty of Law, University of Nairobi, Lecturer, In charge of Academic Programmes	

3.3. United Nations Organs and Foreign Embassies Consulted

PERSONS CONSULTED	UN ORGAN, FOREIGN EMBASSY	PEACE-RELATED ACTIVITIES UNDER WAY
Mr Paul André de la Porte	UNDP Resident Representative, Kenya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equal respect to all MDGS, hence ensuring all activities contribute to the overall goal of peace and development • Use of the reviewed curriculum of civic education as an entry point to peace sensitisation • Model UN activities for additional peace advocacy. • In the women focused programme activities, eg Alternate Right of Passage Programme- could add the peace component. • Activities in small arms reduction on the border to Somalia (Gorisa District) • Establishment of Peace& Development Committees • Facilitation of rapid reaction to potential hot spots • Training of community and traditional as well as women leaders in conflict mitigation
Ms Petra F. de León	UNDP Kenya, Programme Officer	
Mr. Michael Lund	UNDP Enhanced Security Unit. Programme Officer	
Mr Joseph G. Massaquoi	UNESCO Director, Kenya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNESCO's activities under education, culture and communication are based on the overall goal of sustainable development and peace. • Civic education is addressed under the UNESCO Programme of Freedom of Expression and Democracy. • Emergency Education and Rehabilitation Programme also tries to get peace messages to people who are out of the formal education channels.

H.E. M.W.J.A Van Gol	The Royal Netherlands Embassy, Ambassador, Kenya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through the funding of NGO work in Kenya, support the social services, which incorporate peace related activities. • Netherlands is very involved in peace promoting activities in the Great Lakes region (regional funds, Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs). • Educational activities funded from country programmes (Kampala, Kigali, etc) include components that promote peace.
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3.4. International, Regional, National NGOs, and Media Houses Consulted

PERSONS CONSULTED	ORGANIZATION	PEACE-RELATED ACTIVITIES UNDERWAY
Dr Jeff Balch	AWEPA (European Parliamentarians for Africa), Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing capacities of parliamentarians in conflict management e.g. in South Africa • Linkages with national and regional organizations promoting peace. • Preparing a continental conference in Europe, peace is one of the underlying cross-cutting themes of the conference • Conducting case studies of parliamentarians' work in the region having a peace component
Hon. Norbert Mao Ms Salome Katia	Regional Committee of AMANI (Great Lakes Parliamentary Forum on Peace), Chair AMANI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training parliamentarians (over 50% voluntary members of AMANI) in peace and conflict management. • Have written proposals to solicit funds for a "Peace Boat" or "Peace Island" where aggrieved parties can go, undisturbed and negotiate towards peace.
Ms. Karambu Ringera	Peace Initiatives International-Africa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peace organization based in Denver with a branch in Kenya, organizing conference on peace, August 2005, entitled "International Women's Grassroots Peace Congress" at which Arun Gandhi will be the key note speaker • Peace training • Healing and reconciliation
Ms Suzie Ibutu	National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCCK), Director Advocacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peace related activities are inscribed in NCCCK's Programmes of Social Services, and Advocacy and Political Governance. • Mapped out conflict spots in Kenya in the research report: "National Agenda for Peace: Survey Report" • Building capacities through "Peace

		<p>Committees” to involve community leaders and elders in negotiation and mediation for Peace</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with OXFAM, APF (Africa Peace Forum) and Security Research Centre in trainings for small arms reduction • Facilitating work of the “Rural Women Peace Ring”, training women as peace makers in their communities • Work with FECCLAHA (Church based organization for protestant and catholic churches in the Greater Horn of Africa) to mainstream peace into church teachings and all its community based work
Mr Kelia Muchera	Africa Peace Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness raising for peace and conflict management in Eastern Africa and in the region of the Horn of Africa • Active participation in peace initiatives of Eastern Africa and the Horn of Africa • Training in basic principles of peace and Conflict Resolution • Assist community in arbitration, debts and land disputes settlement • Activities to reduce violence in universities • Peace-building in post-conflict communities e.g. Sudan
Mr Kizito Sabala	Africa Peace Forum	
Ambassador Bethel Kiplagat	Africa Peace Forum	
Dr Joseph Bunde Sister Ngaba	People for Peace in Africa People for Peace in Africa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peace-building amongst post-conflict peoples, facilitate the “healing” processes for the traumatised • Conduct peace awareness raising programmes for religious leaders and their communities • Involved in peace negotiation processes in countries neighbouring Kenya through the churches • Reconciliation and healing
Mr F. Mutuku Nguli	Peace Net-Kenya (Peace and Development Network), Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Umbrella organization work, bringing together organizations handling peace building and conflict management as well as individual practitioners • Coordinate peace advocacy and interaction platforms according to different “zone” affiliation in Kenya
Mr Mitch Odero Mitch	Media Council in Kenya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brings together all media houses, NGOs, training institutions and state media units

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training and research on settlement of disputes arising from media coverage
Mr Wilfred Kiboro	Nation Media Group Ltd, Chief Executive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledgeable media specialists that cover peace and conflict issues • Dissemination and promotion of peace related coverage • Internship hosting for trainees in media, hence support capacity development for potential peace promoters in the media
Mr Joseph Odindro	Nation Media Group Ltd, Managing Director	
Mr Wangethi Mwangi	Nation Media Group Ltd, Editorial Director	

4.0. Opportunities and Challenges for Partnership with Institutions and Organizations in Kenya

- In general terms, it can be observed that the UPEACE delegation and its message about what it wants to achieve was well received in Kenya. The high degree of the legitimacy of UN, though some NGOs challenged some UN positions in certain conflict situations, gives UPEACE an entry level that few other institutions in this field would enjoy. The exposition of what the UPEACE Africa Programme is involved in was also well received, and links well to a number of current needs and initiatives in Kenya.
- From the variety of discussions we held in Kenya, it became clear that the general “desire for peace” sets a positive atmosphere for the development of initiatives and educational programmes relating to peace. We also observed, however, that each opportunity for such activities presents challenges that have to be positively explored when UPEACE establishes partnerships with institutions and organizations in Kenya.
- Although there is keen interest in establishing MA programmes in peace and conflict management, there is a dire need for qualified personnel, at the PHD level, to conduct postgraduate training and supervise research. This was reported during the discussion with Egerton University, Hekima College, the Faculty of Law, Humanities Programme on the History of Conflict and the Institute of Diplomacy and International Relations, and the Resident Representative of UNDP.
- Lecturers/professors are keen on publishing in peace related areas but the existing journals available are too wide in thematic scope and rarely focus on peace and conflict issues.
- Universities in Kenya would like to see “Early Warning Mechanisms” integrated into the Peace Studies programme of UPEACE in Costa Rica.
- The public universities which have a high number of student enrolment (35,000 at Nairobi University) are interested in distance learning, possibly using the Teaching Material Packages of UPEACE, although they have considerably limited, unreliable IT connectivity. Private universities, such as the Hekima College, appear to have better IT access.
- The public universities libraries, such as the Library of Egerton University were reported to be in need of support in terms of books and online journals.
- Specialised training, as in the training of the judiciary on justice and equity, provide a possible entry point for peace studies. Such an opportunity needs to be discussed with the coordinating persons to this regional programme. Contact for coordinating persons: Ms Joan Winship of the International Women Judges’ Association, jwinship@iawj.org,

Tel. 202 354 38 39, Washington, and Justice Alwoch, Chairperson, Kenya Chapter, Tel. 215-578, Nairobi.

- Various peace processes that have taken place in Kenya, or in which Kenyans have actively participated, have not yet been recorded. It is historically and politically important to document these outstanding contributions to regional stability. Retired ambassadors and prominent politicians who were involved in these mediations are interested in participating in recordings or narrations or documentation of these peace initiatives. Egerton University and NGO's like the National Council of Churches of Kenya, are also interested in documenting community based peace initiatives such as the "Rural Women's Ring." Such activities normally are outsourced due to lack of expertise. They are interested in linking up with the academia for opportunities or documentation e.g. the publication of a "Peace Source Book".
- Related to publication, it was observed that there are many MA dissertations from students who have researched various peace processes, ECOWAS, the genocide in Rwanda, etc, which could be polished and published. This requires only a limited degree of professional and editorial assistance.
- The idea of launching an Institute of Non Violence and Peace (In-Peace) by Peace Initiatives International-Africa and the School of Journalism has been floated. This idea however, has not yet been submitted to the University of Nairobi authorities for discussion, which implies that "IN-PEACE" has still some way to go.
- Media house specialists and lecturers at the school of journalism expressed interest in the prospects of the MA "Media for Peace" in the Great Lakes Region. According to them, the programme would need a good dose of promotion as the media visibility of UPEACE is still low in the region.
- In a related matter, the mission discussed the possibility of a regular column or monthly pull out profiling "peace keepers" of Africa. There was also the possibility of coverage of academic journal articles published by UPEACE if advance copies are provided. The Nation Media Group is ready to discuss in addition the possibility of a "Nation Peace Award" for the unsung heroes of different peace initiatives in Africa.
- Government officials, media specialists and NGO practitioners showed keen interest in the planned "short courses" of UPEACE. They suggested the following as useful areas of training: practical skills of diplomacy and dispute settlement for home and foreign affairs officers, discrimination, conflict management and peace building for media professionals, basics/simplified version of peace and conflict studies for NGO and community trainers, elders, traditional and religious leaders.
- Training in traditional methods of conflict management, balanced with respect for human rights is needed for community leaders and the local administration.
- Government officials going into peace processes e.g. the office of the President, Ministry of Planning, Police, Military need specific short training on the management of peace processes.
- The UNDP office would be interested in seeing that the case studies documented, including Model UN simulations, are disseminated to over 3,000 teachers in Kenya.
- AWEPA is organizing an international conference of European and NEPAD members of parliament "Partnership beyond 2005..." UPEACE could explore the possibility of the Rector making a presentation at this conference. This would serve as an opportunity of promoting the UPEACE Africa Conference on Education, Development and Peace planned in Addis Ababa.
- UPEACE can take advantage of AWEPA and AMANI trainings, induction of parliamentarians, to make them peace makers who diffuse conflict situations.

- UPEACE research could target parliamentarians and elections observers with specific papers or issue-based briefs. AMANI members who conduct specific missions into different countries in the region need these updated background papers or topical briefs.
- Questions asked related to whether UPEACE programmes will in reality reach ordinary people rather than being an academic exercise with no effects in society.

5.0. Conclusions and Recommendations

Having taken stock of the many peace-related activities and the general “desire for peace” in Kenya, the Consultative Mission delegation observed that practitioners in Kenya play a critical role not only in the stability of this country, but also in the diffusion of conflict situations in the whole region. The wealth of experience and expertise was noted to be available at different levels in Kenya, thus making it a country of high strategic importance. The delegation observed that there are many opportunities that UPEACE can explore to establish partnerships with organizations and institutions in Kenya. Below are the main conclusions and recommendations for such partnerships:

- Several institutions and organizations, such as the University of Nairobi, Egerton University, Hekima College, Africa Peace Forum, NCKK, AMANI, are interested in working with the University for Peace in the dissemination of UPEACE training material, packages and the short courses to be launched in Addis Ababa. They should be considered amongst the potential participants of these activities.
- The University of Nairobi would like to discuss the possibility of an MOU with UPEACE, the Deputy Vice Chancellor designated Dr. Makumi Mwangi, Director of the Institute of Diplomacy and International Studies, as the contact person for this linkage.
- Capacity building of lecturers in peace related areas at PhD level was ranked very high as a felt need in the Kenyan universities that were consulted. The proposed Integrated Research Programme of UPEACE could incorporate this need.
- Universities showed keen interest in publishing on peace-related subjects. This demonstrated an obvious need for a dedicated journal in the field of peace, which is managed and tailor-made to serve the needs of UPEACE. The proposed journal of the UPEACE Africa Programme could take up the offer of starting with existing materials from MA dissertations on Peace and Conflict topics.
- Specific background papers or issue-based briefs targeting parliamentarians could be prepared by the Africa Regional Programme. This is a joint venture to explore with AWEPA and AMANI.
- It is historically and politically important to document the different peace processes undertaken by peace pioneers in Kenya (narratives, DVD, CD Rom and documentaries). Community best practices in peace building also need documentation. This is a joint venture that could serve as a pilot project for similar initiatives in other countries in Africa.
- A resource center of material applicable to peace initiatives developed by civil society should be established in the office of the Director of the ARP in Addis Ababa. This will be a resource for identification of best practices in this area to researchers and practitioners from around Africa (International organizations and governments seem to have their own established data bases).
- The MA “Media for Peace” is a welcome venture in Kenya. Discussions need to be made with the School of Journalism of the University of Nairobi and the Nation Media Group for follow-up actions (participating students, internship opportunities, etc).

- Suggestions were made on thematic areas for short courses under the Africa Regional programme: practical skills of diplomacy and dispute settlement, peace-building for media professionals, basic peace and conflict studies for community and religious leaders, indigenous methods of conflict transformation and human rights, managing peace processes for government officers. These are interesting suggestions that should be discussed at the Africa Regional Planning Meeting.

6.0. Appendices

6.1. Photo Coverage of the Kenya Mission

(For the electronic version, pictures have been removed)

6.2. Programme

Consultative Mission to Kenya of the University for Peace (UPEACE) **11 to 14 April 2005**

Programme

Saturday , 9 April:

Arrival of the mission delegation. Short meeting between Patrick Orr, Edith Natukunda and Jean-Bosco Butera for acquaintance

Sunday, 10 April:

17:00: Delegation members meet at The Stanley Hotel for briefing on programme

Monday, 11 April:

09:00: Meeting with Ms Karambu Ringera, Peace Initiatives International – Africa (The Stanley Hotel)

10:00: Meeting with Dr Hadija Matuli Murenga, Department of Sociology, Egerton University (The Stanley Hotel)

13:15: Working lunch at The Stanley Hotel with Lady Justice Mary Angawa

15:30: Visit to Institute of Peace Studies and International Relations at Hekima College, the Catholic University of East Africa, and meeting with the Director, Programme Co-ordinator, Prisca Kamungi, and colleagues (Ngong Road, Nairobi)

17:00: Meeting with Ambassador Boaz Mbaya, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Harambee Avenue)

19:30: Working Dinner with Hon Stephen Kalonzo Musyoka MP, Minister for Environment and Natural Resources and former Minister for foreign affairs.

Tuesday, 12 April:

08:00: Working breakfast with Professor Michael Chege, Economic Advisor, Ministry of Planning and National Development, on Kenya and the African Peer Review Mechanism of the New Partnership for Africa Development (NEPAD), at the Stanley Hotel.

10:00: Meeting with Professor Jacob Kaimenyi, Deputy Vice Chancellor Academic Affairs, Dr Makumi Mwangi, Director of the Institute of Diplomacy and International Studies and Dr Wambui Kiai, Lecturer and Researcher, School of Journalism (University of Nairobi, University Way)

13:00: Working lunch at the Stanley Hotel with Mr Wilfred Kiboro, Chief Executive, Nation Group, Mr Joseph Odindo, Group Managing Editor, and Mr Wangethi Mwangi, Editorial Director.

15:00: Meeting with members of Partnership for Peace – Africa Peace Forum, Nairobi Peace Initiative (NPI Africa), All Africa Conference of Churches (AACC) and People for Peace in Africa (PPA): Meeting coordinated by Ambassador Ochieng’ Adala, Africa Peace Forum (Stanley Hotel)

Wednesday, 13 April:

08:00: Meeting with Hon Professor George Saitoti MP, Minister for Education, Science and Technology and Professor Karega Mutahi, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education, Old Jogoo House

09:30: Meeting with Mr Paul Andre de la Porte, UNDP Resident Representative, Kenya

10:15: Meeting with Mr Michael Lund, UNDP, to discuss UNDP support for unit in the Office of the President, Government of Kenya, working on conflict resolution and peace building

11:00: Meeting with Dr Joseph Massaquoi, Director, UNESCO Cluster office for Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi and Eritrea

All above meetings taking place at Gigiri.

13:30: Meeting with HE Mrs M W J A Van Gol, Ambassador, at the Royal Netherlands Embassy

18:00: Meeting with Dr Jeff Balch, Director, European Parliamentarians for Africa (AWEPA), in advance of a conference on ‘Parliamentary Democracy and Peace in the Great Lakes Region’ (14 to 16 April) with the Amani Forum (the Great Lakes Parliamentary Forum for Peace): Safari Park hotel.

20:00: Working dinner with Hon Norbert MAO, Chairman of Amani Forum and Salome Katia, Regional Programme Officer, Amani Forum, Safari Park Hotel.

Thursday, 14 April:

09:00: Meeting with Ms Susie Ibutu, Director, Democracy and Governance, National Council of Churches of Kenya (The Stanley Hotel)

11:30: Press conference on mission of UPEACE, objectives of Africa Programme, reasons behind consultative mission, and announcement of Dr Butera as Director of the Africa Programme.

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6.4. Summary of issues raised at the Press Conference

During the press conference organized at the Stanley Hotel on 14 April 2005, the Coordinator of the Consultative Mission presented the members of the Mission delegation and gave the background to the fact finding visit. The Director of the Africa Regional Programme introduced the University for Peace, its mission, mandate and structure. The Dean of African Studies presented the MA programmes at UPEACE Campus in Costa Rica and illustrated how they link up with Africa. The Academic Coordinator of the Africa Regional Programme closed the introductory part with a presentation of the activities of the Africa Regional Programme according to the 5 Year Action Plan. He emphasized the 5 areas of TMP dissemination, curriculum development workshops, short courses, peace skills simulation, “News for Peace” and MA “Media for Peace”.

The discussion that followed concentrated on providing responses to the following questions:

- What is the timeframe for the MA programmes you have mentioned in this region? What is the amplitude of your funding?
- Your mission is top-heavy. To what extent does your training address the needs of people training for peace at the grassroots’ level?

- In many African countries, the Executive have assumed too much power and are using Parliaments to rubber stamp their wishes. Do your programmes address such critical issues?
- If you want to reach a child, you have to understand the psychology of the child. From your presentation, there is the fear of training sycophants. Are you training on problems of conflict in Africa, people who are going to analyse the root causes of conflict?
- Where do you rank Kenya as far as peace building is concerned in Africa?

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6.6. List of Documentation offered to UPEACE Africa Regional Office

- National Agenda for Peace, Survey Report; making informed choices for a better future, publication of the NCCK.
- Joint NSC-UN Mission on Building National Capacities for Conflict Management: Preliminary Conclusions and Recommendations, 2005.
- Conflict Prevention and Resolution, UNDP Project of the Government of Kenya, 2004-2005.
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