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Drivers of Conflict and Drivers of Peace
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the Canadian Consortium on Human Security,
the International Development Research Centre and
the Canadian International Development Agency

Ottawa, May 11 – 12, 2006

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- 08:00 - 09:00** *Registration*
- 09:00 - 09:15** *Welcome* (Cadioux Auditorium)
Michael Small Director-General, Human Security and Human Rights Bureau, DFAIT
Ross Hynes, Director-General, Stabilization and Reconstruction Task Force (START),
DFAIT
Peggy Mason, Chair, Canadian Peacebuilding Coordinating Committee
- 09:15 - 10:45** *Plenary Panel* (Cadioux Auditorium)
Towards a Whole of Government Approach to Peacebuilding and
Conflict Prevention in Fragile States.
Moderator: Ken Rockburn, CPAC
James R. Wright, Assistant Deputy Minister International Security Branch and Political
Director, Foreign Affairs Canada
M-Gen. Gosselin, Director-General, International Security Policy, DND
Stephen Wallace, Vice President, Policy, CIDA
Peggy Mason, Chair, CPCC
- 10:45 - 11:00** *Break*
- 11:00 - 13:00** *Plenary Panel* (Cadioux Auditorium)
High Level Panel: The Challenge of Long-Term Peacebuilding
Moderator: Ross Hynes, Director-General, Stabilization and Reconstruction Task Force
(START), DFAIT
Salman Ahmed, Chief of the Office of the Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping
Operations, DPKO
Rick Barton, Senior Adviser and Co-Director, International Security Program, Centre for
Strategic and International Studies, Washington D.C.
Kathleen Cravero, Director, Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery, UNDP
Carolyn McAskie, former Special Representative of the Secretary General of the United
Nations in Burundi
Nigel Fisher, President and CEO, UNICEF Canada (TBC)
- 13:00 - 14:00** **Buffet Lunch**

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14:00 - 15.15

Concurrent Sessions

The Environment and Natural Resources

(Cadieux Auditorium)

What does the latest academic research tell us about the relationship between natural resources and conflict in developing countries? The Diamond Development Initiative (DDI) is an effort to bring private sector companies, NGOs and governments together in a complex development endeavour that could turn diamonds from the fuel of war into an engine for development. Oil, finally, has played a critical role in the war in Sudan, but new initiatives are now trying to harness it for peacebuilding purposes.

Moderator: Jean Daudelin, Assistant Professor, Carleton University
Jean-François Gagné, Research Fellow, University of Québec at Montreal
Bernard Taylor, Executive Director, Partnership Africa Canada
Lindsey Weber, Project Coordinator, Life & Peace Institute, Uppsala

Gender, Peace and Security

(Robertson Room)

This panel will discuss the various approaches used to prevent violence against women and examine what can be done to increase the participation of women and girls in peace and security as drivers of peace. It will focus on the provisions of international instruments to address the issue of violence against women, with emphasis on Security Council Resolution 1325.

Moderator: Suzanne Taylor, Research Officer, IDRC
Megan Bastick, Special Programmes Coordinator, DCAF
Josée Ntabahungu, Project Coordinator, Post-Conflict Transition Assistance Program,
CARE Burundi
Chantale Walker, Senior Policy Adviser, Gender Equality, DFAIT

Religion and Peacebuilding

(Rendez-vous Room)

This panel will address the question of how claims to absolute truth, justice and righteousness drive violent conflict. Understanding the rise and acceptance of these claims by populations before and during violent conflict may help to identify ways to both prevent future violence and garner increased popular support for peace processes. It will also look at the extent to which we can identify patterns of violations of freedom of religion or belief that threaten to become conflicts and discuss what can be done to prevent violations of freedom of religion that could inspire violence. Programmatic responses to conflicts involving religious dynamics will also be discussed.

Moderator: Tim Martin, Senior Director, Stabilization and Reconstruction Task Force Secretariat (START), DFAIT
Mahmoud Masaeli, Post-doctoral Fellow, St. Paul University
Susanne Tamas, Director, Office of Governmental Relations, Baha'i Community in Canada
John Siebert, Executive Director, Project Ploughshares

15:15 - 15:30

Break

15:30 – 17:00

Concurrent sessions

Children and Adolescents in Armed Conflict

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This panel will discuss the role of the UN System in the Implementation of International Norms, with particular reference to SCR 1612. It will explore approaches to greater youth involvement in building sustainable peace in all areas from conflict prevention to post-conflict reconciliation as well as focus on protecting children in conflict environments. It will encourage knowledge-sharing about the unique challenges posed to child protection at the field level and impart lessons learned for future peace support operations.

Moderator: Kathy Vandergrift, Chair, Children and Armed Conflict Working Group, CPCC
Rubens César, Executive Director, Viva Rio, Brazil
Nigel Fisher, President and CEO, UNICEF Canada
Jane Lowicki, formerly Senior Coordinator, Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children

Institution-building and Democratization

(Robertson Room)

Robust, capable public institutions, at central and local levels, that are responsive and accountable to citizens, are characteristics of stable democratic states and an important source of their legitimacy. This panel will discuss the many challenges of building democratic institutions in post-conflict reconstruction. It will identify how the humanitarian imperative can be met during recovery while capacity is built to ensure the transition to long term development. It will examine how parliamentary processes can be strengthened to ensure accountability, transparency and access, and, as a result, be a driver for lasting peace.

Moderator: Robert Miller, Executive Director, Parliamentary Centre, Ottawa
Rick Barton, Senior Adviser and Co-Director, International Security Program, Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Washington D.C.
Karim Morcos, Administrator, OECD DAC Fragile States Group, Geneva
Ross Reid, Deputy Minister to the Premier of Newfoundland
Andrés Serbin, Regional Coordinator of Economic and Social Research (CRIES), Argentina

Security System Reform (SSR)

(Rendez-vous Room)

SSR is increasingly recognized as being essential to stabilization operations and longer-term peacebuilding and development. Supporting the development of an effective and accountable security system, and an impartial and accessible judicial system, are critical to preventing the likelihood of relapses of violence in fragile states. The development of civilian, democratic oversight of the justice and security system is a central component in such reforms. The session will therefore focus on the particular challenges of SSR in post-conflict societies, particularly within the context of peace operations, as opposed to SSR in more stable societies, and the challenges of increasing civil society participation, including women's organisations, in SSR processes. It will also seek to explore potential entry points for strengthened civilian oversight in post-conflict security system reform initiatives.

Moderator: Megan Bastick, Democratic Control of Armed Forces, Geneva
Brad Bergstrand, Senior Military Adviser, Peacekeeping and Peace Operations Group, START, DFAIT
Eboe Hutchful, Executive Director, African Security Dialogue and Research, Ghana,
Florence Mpaayei, Coordinator, Capacities for Peace Program, Nairobi Peace Initiative

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May 12, 2006

08:00 - 09:00

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Keynote Remarks

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Moderator: Peter Harder, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs

Lakhdar Brahimi, former Special Adviser to the Secretary-General of the United Nations

09:45 – 10:30

Question and Answer period with Keynote

(Cadieux Auditorium)

10:30 - 10:45

Break

10:45 -12:15

Concurrent sessions

Developing a Canadian International Mediation Capacity

(Cadieux Auditorium)

The international community has long recognized mediation as an essential component of any broader conflict prevention strategy. This panel will explore the potential for Canada to become more involved in international mediation efforts by identifying potential gaps for Canadian engagement; discussing where Canada may have a comparative advantage or value-added role to play; discussing how receptive the international community may be to an institutional mechanism devoted to Canadian mediation efforts; and suggesting how Canada should define and develop its capacities in this area.

Moderator: Shawn Barber, Director, Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding Group, START, DFAIT

Fen Hampson, Director, NPSIA at Carleton University

Carolyn McAskie, former SRSG Burundi

John Packer, Principal Investigator and Project Coordinator, Initiative on Conflict Prevention through Quiet Diplomacy, Human Rights Internet

Ross Reid, Deputy Minister to the Premier of Newfoundland

Lois Wilson, Chair, Canada-DPR Korea Association; former Canadian Special Envoy to Sudan

Cities and Human Security

(Robertson Room)

With the world now over 50% urban and cities increasingly affecting the course of global events, human security and cities is an emerging issue on the human security agenda. This session will explore the role of cities as both human security challenges and opportunities. First, how is the rapidly urbanizing developing world providing public security in its urban spaces such as slum settlements, with police, gangs, militia, community groups, and private security vying for control? Second, what are the main human security problems caused by the dangerous concentration of unemployed youth, small arms, drug cartels and poor law enforcement capacity in urban environments, and what are some of the best practices designed to mitigate this problem? On the opportunities side, the panel will explore the effects of resilient cities on conflict dynamics, from symbols to stabilizers. Finally, how can strengthening urban governance and democratization help achieve human security by focusing efforts at the local level?

Moderator: Michael Small, Director-General, Human Security and Human Rights Bureau, DFAIT

Rubens César, Executive Director, Viva Rio, Brazil

Bob Lawson, Senior Policy Advisor, Human Security Policy Division, DFAIT

Diana Segovia, Coordinator, Local Agenda 21 Campaign, ICLEI

Fayen d'Evie, University for Peace, Toronto

Refugees and IDPs: Where does displacement end?

(Rendez-vous Room)

The global number of refugees has declined in the last two years, as many refugees have been able to return to their countries of origin in Africa and Afghanistan. As the same time, the number of IDPs remains more or less static at 23 million, with women and children being disproportionately represented amongst displaced populations. There is evidence to suggest strong correlations between displacement and increases in sexual and gender based violence. The phenomenon of forced displacement remains a deliberate war aim of combatants, a by-product of conflict and at times, a challenge for the resolution of conflict, particularly in protracted situations. The sustainability of IDP and refugee returns is not a given as conditions in many areas are not conducive to lasting reintegration. How can the links between peace and security, humanitarian action and development be strengthened so as to resolve protracted refugee situations? How should durable solutions for refugees and IDPs fit into conflict resolution and reconciliation processes? How should the experiences and roles of women and girls be addressed for sustainable refugee/IDP return, reconciliation and reconstruction processes? What criteria should be considered in determining when displacement ends? Would this criteria be applied differently to men and women?

Moderator: Elissa Golberg, Director, Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Response Group, START, DFAIT

James Milner, Trudeau Scholar, Oxford University

Gail Neudorf, Emergency Director, CARE Canada

Diane Paul, Protection Consultant

12:15 - 13:15

Lunch

13:15 - 14:45

Concurrent sessions

Globalization, Economic Policy and the Private Sector

(Cadioux Auditorium)

This panel will discuss the implications of increased economic integration on conflict and security. It will examine the potential effects of liberal economic policies, including privatization, in post-conflict environments and how such policies affect state capacities to finance and implement peace processes, and the impact that they have on equity and economic development. It will look at lessons learned in accelerating socially responsible private sector investment in post-conflict countries and the role that Canada can play in better policing breaches in domestic and international law by Canadian-registered companies operating in conflict zones?

Moderator: Gerd Schonwalder, IDRC

Oli Brown, Coordinator, Trade, Aid and Security Initiative, IISD, Geneva

Marie-France Guimond, Researcher, IDRC

Jennifer Loten, Deputy Director, Human Security Policy Division, DFAIT

Andrés Serbin, President, CRIES, Argentina (TBC)

Small Arms and Light Weapons

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It is five years since the UN Programme of Action on Small Arms and Light Weapons was agreed. In June states will gather at the UN for a Review Conference to assess the collective progress of the international community towards eradicating the illicit use and trade of small arms and light weapons. This panel will examine how progress at the UN RevCon can contribute in preventing and reducing human suffering and insecurity in conflict and post-conflict societies beginning with an overview of Canada's policy on SALW. It will address the issue of SALW demand through peace agreements and DDR and discuss how SALW programming can be mainstreamed into development strategies.

Moderator: Richelle Smockum, Policy Advisor, Mine Action and Small Arms Group, START, DFAIT

Rubens César, Executive Director, Viva Rio, Brazil

Ken Epps, Senior Program Associate, Project Ploughshares

David Jackman, Quaker United Nations Office

14:45-15:15 ***Break***

15:15-16:30 ***Closing plenary*** **(Cadieux Auditorium)**

Moderator: Don Hubert, Acting Director, Human Security Policy Division, DFAIT

Ernie Regehr, Senior Policy Advisor, Project Ploughshares

Fen Hampson, Director, NPSIA, Carleton University

Beth Woroniuk (TBC)