

Parliamentary oversight in the area of security in West Africa: disseminating best practices in ECOWAS Member States

Regional Parliamentary workshop

Hosted by the National Assembly of Mali and organized by the Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF), the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and the African Security Sector Network

Bamako, 28 - 29 November 2011



PROVISIONAL AGENDA

28 NOVEMBER 2011

8.30 a.m.	- 9 a.m.	Registration of participants
9 a.m.	- 10 a.m.	Welcome address and presentation
10 a.m.	- 10.30 a.m.	Coffee break
10.30 a.m.	- 11.15 a.m.	Presentation of the ECOWAS Parliament-DCAF handbook for West African "Parliamentary oversight of the security sector"
11.15 a.m.	- 12.15 p.m.	Presentation and discussion: Creating networks: political challenges of parliamentary oversight security sector
12.15 p.m.	- 1.30 p.m.	Lunch
1.30 p.m.	- 2.30 p.m.	Presentation and discussion: Parliament and budgetary decision power: best practices related to budget security
2.30 p.m.	- 3.30 p.m.	Presentation et discussion: Integration of gender dimension in security sector policies and programmes: the role of parliamentarians
3.30 p.m.	- 4 p.m.	Coffee break
4 p.m.	- 5 p.m.	Présentation and discussion: Intelligence services: necessity of a strengthened democratic oversight
5 p.m.	- 5.30 p.m.	Introduction of the working group session: objectives and organisation (discussion and formation of four working groups)

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8.30 a.m.	- 9 a.m.	Executive summary of the previous day's work and breakdown of participants in 4 working groups
9 a.m.	- 10.30 a.m.	Working group discussion
10.30 a.m.	- 11 a.m.	Coffee break
11 a.m.	- 12.30 p.m.	Working group discussion
12.30 p.m.	- 1.30 p.m.	Lunch
1.30 p.m.	- 3 p.m.	Working group discussion
3 p.m.	- 3.30 p.m.	Coffee break
3.30 p.m.	- 5.30 p.m.	Reporting back to plenary of the group discussion (15 minutes to report and 15 minutes for discussion)
5.30 p.m.	- 6 p.m.	Summary, evaluation and closing address
Reception		Cocktail buffet offered (venue and time to be confirmed)