

Day 1

Tuesday 29 November 2005

TIME	EVENT	OBJECTIVES	SPEAKERS	LOCATION
9:00 - 10:30	<p><i>Plenary 1:</i></p> <p><b>Opening Plenary</b></p> <p><b>Our Sisters, Ourselves: Defending Women Human Rights Defenders</b></p>	<p>1. To provide a brief introduction to the WHRD campaign and outline the objectives and outcomes of the international consultation;</p> <p>2. To introduce the participants to the concept of WHRD and the importance of giving recognition on WHRDs and their concerns;</p>	<p>Video presentation: Tribute to WHRDs</p> <p><b>Nimalka Fernando</b>, Women's Alliance for Peace and Democracy/IMADR, Sri Lanka: <i>Welcome remarks</i></p> <p><b>Keynote Speaker: Hina Jilani</b>, UN Special Representative to the Secretary General on Human Rights Defenders: <i>Keynote Address - Defending Women, Defending Rights</i></p> <p><b>Charlotte Bunch</b>, Center for Women's Global Leadership, USA: <i>Introduction to the WHRD Campaign and International Consultation</i></p>	

			Moderator: Mary Jane N. Real	
10:30-11:00	<b>Coffee and Tea Break</b>  <b>Press Conference with Hina Jilani, UN Special Representative to the Secretary General on Human Rights Defenders</b>		Moderator: Melinda Ann Ching-Simon	
11:00-12:30	<b>Plenary 2: Panel Presentation on Problems and Obstacles Faced by WHRDs</b>	1.To highlight the key problems and obstacles faced by WHRDs;  2. To highlight the emerging patterns of violations and abuses against WHRDs;	<b>Dora Ruth del Valle Cobar</b> , Movimiento Nacional por los Derechos Humanos, Guatemala: <i>State violence and repression against WHRDs</i>  <b>Marieme Helie Lucas</b> , Women Living Under Muslim Laws, France: <i>Fundamentalisms and WHRDs</i>  <b>Ndeye Nafissatou Faye</b> , Reseau SIGGIL JIGEEN, Senegal: <i>Obstacles faced by WHRDs in the Family/Community</i>  <b>Cynthia Rothschild</b> CWGL/IGLHRC, USA: <i>Sexuality-based attacks against WHRDs</i>	
			Moderator: Sunila Abeyseekera	

<p>12:30-14:30</p>	<p><b>Lunch Break</b></p> <p><b>Film – showing/Caucuses</b></p>			
<p>14:30-16:30</p>	<p><i>Break-out session 1:</i></p> <p><b>Group discussion on issues and concerns faced by WHRDs within regional contexts</b></p>	<p>1. To identify gender-based forms of human rights violations, threats, risks, and their consequences on WHRDs by region;</p> <p>2. To discuss the concepts and key concerns of WHRDs within each regional context;</p>	<p><b>Regional Workshops</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Asia-Pacific</li> <li>▪ Latin America and the Caribbean</li> <li>▪ Middle East and North Africa</li> <li>▪ Sub-Saharan Africa</li> <li>▪ Europe and North America</li> </ul>	
<p><i>By appointment</i></p>	<p><b>Sharing of Cases and Testimonies of Women Human Rights Defenders with Hina Jilani, UN Special Representative to the Secretary General on Human Rights Defenders</b></p>			
<p>17:00-18:30</p>	<p><i>Plenary session 3:</i></p> <p><b>Reporting Back</b></p>	<p>1. to synthesise the gender-based forms of human rights violations, threats, risks, and their consequences on</p>	<p>Report back by the rapporteurs from the regions</p>	

		WHRDs;		
			Moderator: Immaculada Vargas	
19:30 -	<b>Welcome Reception hosted by the WHRD-ICC</b>			