

International Criminal Court

Public Information and Outreach in Uganda Calendar of activity – February 2009

Overall Objective: Increase understanding of the ICC, its mandate and activities in Uganda amongst diverse constituencies.

Activity	Date	Place	Summary	Means of
				Verification
Town hall style meeting with the general public	3 February	Osekai parish, Wera sub county, Amuria district, Teso sub region, north eastern Uganda	Organised in partnership with the local council of Wera sub county, the meeting provided an interaction between the local community and Outreach. Information about the activities of the Court was provided to the audience. A range of different questions and concerns were responded to by the Outreach team. 221 members of the community attended.	- Standard evaluation form Feedback from the field - Monthly reports.
Workshop with representatives of Persons With Disabilities	4 February	Soroti district, Teso sub region, north eastern Uganda	Attendees came from all the six districts in the Teso sub region (Kumi, Kaberamaido, Bukedea, Amuria, Soroti and Katakwi) The one day session provided a general overview about the mandate and operations of the Court, victims' participation and reparation issues; the role of the Outreach unit was also clearly defined during this workshop. Through group discussions,	

			participants recommended useful	
			mechanisms to be used by	
			Outreach to engage and	
			disseminate ICC information to	
			Persons With Disabilities.	
			40 people were reached.	
Town hall style	5 February	Wera sub county,	Update about the ICC provided,	- Standard
meeting with		Amuria district	information materials were	evaluation
the general		Teso sub region,	distributed. Several concerns from	form.
public		north eastern	members of the community about	- Feedback from
		Uganda	the Court were addressed by the	the field
			Outreach team.	- Monthly
			335 people reached	reports.
Consultation	10 February	Apac town	The chairman and counselors of	
visits in Apac		council and Alito	various local councils were met	
district		sub county, Apac	future Outreach programmes in	
		district Lango sub	the district. The Chairman	
		region, northern	appreciated the initiative and gave	
		Uganda.	Outreach the green light to hold	
			activities in the district.	
Outreach	11 February	Lira district,	Participants were drawn from the	
workshop with		Lango sub region,	five districts in the Lango sub	
representatives		northern Uganda	region (Amolatar, Dokolo, Lira,	
of Persons With			Apac and Oyam).	
Disabilities			Several presentations including,	
(PWDs)			ICC at a glance, Victims participation	
			before the ICC and Outreach were	
			delivered; time was also dedicated	
			to group discussions which gave	
			the participants the opportunity to	
			identify other outreach tools and	
			mechanisms to effectively reach	
			out to different categories of	
			disabled persons including those	
			with hearing and visual	
			impairments.	
			One key recommendation that	

			came out from all the groups was	
			the translation and printing of key	
			ICC documents to Braille to cater	
			for the visually impaired.	
University	11 February	Law	In partnership with the NGO,	- Standard
Outreach		development	Advocates for Public International	evaluation form
session		Center, Kampala.	Law, this activity was organized	- Feedback from
			to reach out to the law and	the field
			political science students of the	- Monthly
			Makerere University. Outreach	reports.
			unit made a presentation about	
			the mandate of the Court, while	
			various speakers addressed	
			international criminal justice	
			systems and the need for	
			international justice for serious	
			crimes of international concern.	
			700 students from the faculties of	
			Law and Political science were	
			attending.	
Working dinner	11 February	Kampala	Broadened Outreach network	
with the NGO,		Uganda, Central	partnership.	
Survivor Corps		Uganda	15 people were reached.	
Town hall style	12 February	Tekidi village,	This activity was organized in	
meeting with		Alito sub county,	collaboration with the sub county administration and the local	
the general		Apac district,	council. Update about the ICC	
public		Lango sub region,	activities in northern Uganda was	
		northern Uganda	provided; the question and	
			answer session that followed	
			responded to many questions and	
			concerns ranging from victims participation and reparation, the	
			Trust Fund for Victims and the	
			Court's position concerning the	
			rumors about Okot Odhiambo's	
			surrender. Assorted ICC	
			informational leaflets in the local	
			language were distributed at the end of the session.	
			Attended by 380 representatives.	
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Consultation	17 February	Kampala Field	Following an initial meeting held	- Standard
and following	17 Pebluary	Office, Uganda	in January, this meeting discussed	evaluation
up meeting with		Office, Oganda	in details training and other	form.
the Regional			capacity building opportunities	- Feedback from
representative			for the legal community and	the field
and staff of			NGOs collaborating with various	- Monthly
Avocats Sans			sections of the Court in Uganda.	reports.
Frontières			4 representatives attended this	reports.
1 Tomtieres			consultation.	
Town hall style meeting with the general public	17 February	Adropi sub county, Adjumani district, Madi sub region (West Nile) northern Uganda	Update about the ICC provided, information material provided, networking mechanisms explored and updates about the Uganda Situation and the court' activity provided and room for interaction enhanced by receiving questions and responding to different concerns. People reached: 150	
Outreach	18 February	Adjumani	40 representatives of disabled	
workshop with		district, Madi sub	groups from the districts of Madi	
representatives		region (West	and Moya attended the one day	
of Persons with		Nile) northern	workshop.	
Disabilities		Uganda	Several presentations including,	
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			to group discussions which gave	
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			out to different categories of	
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			recommendation that came out	
			from all the groups was the	
			translation and printing of key	
			ICC documents to Braille.	

Consultation meeting with the Legal Officer of the International Refugee Rights	18 February	Kampala Field Office, Uganda	The meeting was organised to establish new partnership and identify possibilities of partnership in the area of public information dissemination about the activities of the Court.	Standardevaluationform.Feedback fromthe fieldMonthly
Initiative Town hall style meeting with the general public	19 February	Ofua sub county, Adjumani district, Madi sub region northern Uganda,	Information was provided about the activities of the ICC; a two-way communication was fostered by receiving and addressing the different questions and concerns raised by the community. ICC information materials were distributed. A total of 250 members people from different parishes in the sub county were in attendance.	report.
Meeting with the NGO, Open Society Initiative for East Africa (OSIEA)	20 February	Kampala Field Office	Outreach provided up to date information about the Court; possibilities for partnership were identified for further cooperation.	
Outreach briefing with NGOs/INGOs/C BOs and civil society groups	24 February	Gulu district, Acholi sub region northern Uganda	The three-hour-session provided updates for the NGOs about the Court's activities in the situations under investigations, responded to questions and clarified misconception. Outreach informed the meeting about the upcoming decision of Pre-trial Chamber I concerning the prosecution application for the issuance of warrant of arrest against the President of Sudan. NGOs expressed keen interest to get fully updated on this development.	- Standard evaluation - Feedback from the field - Monthly reports.

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			The session also discussed the
			possibilities of cooperation
			between the Outreach unit and
			CBOs to reach out to grass root
			communities in remote areas.
			35 representatives of human
			rights and civil society
			organizations operating within
			Gulu district were met.
Outreach	25 February	National	This activity attracted 520
programme at		Teachers College,	students and lecturers of the
the National		Unyama Gulu	institution.
Teachers		district, Acholi	The outreach team provided
College		sub region	information about the Court and
		northern Uganda	responded to a many questions
			and concerns raised by the
			students and lecturers.
			The students promised to partner
			with the Outreach Unit to
			disseminate accurate information
			about the Court to their
			immediate communities.