



**Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**  
**General discussion on the protection of women's human rights in conflict and**  
**post-conflict contexts**

**New York, 18 July 2011 (10:00 – 13:00)**

**PROGRAMME**

- 10:00**           Introductory remarks
- Ms. Silvia Pimentel, Chairperson, CEDAW Committee
- Opening remarks
- Mr. Ivan Simonovic, Assistant Secretary-General, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
  - Ms. Lakshmi Puri, Assistant Secretary-General for Intergovernmental Support and Strategic Partnerships, UN Women
- Introduction of the General Recommendation on the legal protection of women in conflict and post-conflict situations
- Ms. Pramila Patten, Member of CEDAW, Chair of CEDAW WG on women in conflict and post-conflict situations

**Key note speakers**

- 10:30**           Ms. Margot Wallström, Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict
- 10:40**           Ms. Radhika Coomaraswamy, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict
- 10:50**           Ms. Rashida Manjoo, Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women, its causes and consequences
- 11:00**           Mr. Juan Mendez, Special Rapporteur on Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment
- 11:10**           Ms. Jessica Neuwirth, Coordinator of the High-Level Panel on Remedies and Reparations for Victims of Sexual Violence in the DRC

**11:20**           **Oral Statements**

- Anne Marie Goetz, Chief Advisor (OiC), Governance Peace and Security, UN Women
- Soon-Young Yoon, UN representative, International Alliance of Women
- Caroline Hames, Global Alliance against Traffic in Women
- Margaret Owen, Widows for Peace through Democracy
- Katherine Prizeman, Global Action
- Myra Kovary, IDA
- Ambika Satkunanathan, Women and Media Collective
- Suraiya Kamaruzzaman, Flower Aceh
- Aziza Khalikdi, Association Najdeh
- Sanja Sarnavka, B.a. B.e “Be active. Be emancipated”
- Kumidini Samuel, Development alternatives with women for a new era, DAWN
- Sabin Shrestha, Forum for Women, Law and Development
- Wathshlah Naidu, IWRAW Asia Pacific

- Munara Beknazarova, Open Line
- Julia Kharashvili, IDP Women's Association 'Consent' in Georgia
- Anna Talbot, Amnesty International
- Sally Kader, US Federation for Middle East Peace
- Kala Swarnakar / Durga Sob, Minority Rights Group International (TBC)

**12:50**

Wrap up and closing remarks

- Ms. Pramila Patten, Member of CEDAW, Chair of CEDAW WG on women in conflict and post-conflict situations
- Ms. Silvia Pimentel, Chairperson, CEDAW Committee