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## **INTRODUCTION BY CHRISTINE MCCAFFERTY MP**



As the Chair of the UK All-Party Parliamentary Group on Population, Development and Reproductive Health, I am pleased to inform you that we have had yet another very active and successful year, despite the increased opposition to international sexual and reproductive health and rights from the Bush administration, the Vatican and some right-wing Islamic countries.

We have recruited four new members to the UK APPG on PD&RH, two of whom are front bench spokes people.

Members have been updated regularly on SRHR/Population issues via committee meetings, parliamentary and general briefing meetings and receptions, and European funding and anti-choice briefing meetings. Selected members have participated in study tours to China, Uganda, Malawi and Kenya. All group members have received group and UNFPA newsletters, together with general written briefings and specific briefings for parliamentary questions and debates.

Throughout the year members have been tabling parliamentary questions, Early Day Motions, participated in parliamentary debates and roundtable discussions and lobbied Ministers at international conferences including the Children's Summit in New York, the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg and the Fifth Asian and Pacific Population Conference ESCAP in Bangkok to ensure recommitment to the ICPD PoA.

A Private Members Bill on Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) won the ballot this year and is passing through Parliament as a follow up to the group's FGM Hearings in 2000. A Sexual Offences Bill is also passing through Parliament. Following the Government's Sexual Health and HIV Strategy in 2001, an implementation plan has been launched and is now being implemented.

DfID's restructuring on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2003 and the abolishment of the Population and Reproductive Health unit and its advisors was and remains of great concern to the APPG on PD&RH and the SRHR Civil Society. The group has however been reassured by the Secretary of State for International Development, that individuals and couples rights to safe, affordable and voluntary reproductive health services, remain at the core of the UK Governments agenda as stated throughout the year.

Baroness Amos said in April 2002 in the HoL:

*My Lords, sexual and reproductive healthcare in developing countries continues to be a key priority for the Department for International Development. Achieving universal access to reproductive health for all by 2015 underpins our approach. Good reproductive health is of course also vital to achieving millennium development goals related to lowering maternal mortality and combating HIV/AIDS.*

Baroness Amos said in July 2002 in the HoL:

*My Lords, the reproductive health of the poor is a key priority for the Government. We remain firmly committed to the International Conference on Population and Development target of achieving access to reproductive health for all by 2015. We are convinced that reproductive health and rights are vital to making progress to attain the millennium development goals to combat HIV/AIDS and to lower maternal and child mortality. We would like in particular to acknowledge the important contribution that the United Nations Population Fund makes in these important areas.*

*My Lords, of course we are disappointed by the American response. We are major supporters of the work of the UNFPA. Our current core funding is £15 million per annum. In addition, we are pressing it to move ahead with reform proposals. We are considering an increased contribution. We will continue to be staunch allies of the fund and its objectives, because it is very important to tackle HIV/AIDS and maternal and child mortality.*

In last years spending review, DfID's budget increased by £1.5 billion. The UK's aid budget reached its highest level in over 20 years at 0.32 % GNP.

Funding to UNFPA has increased from £15 million in 2001/2002 to £18 million 2002/2003.

Bilaterally Aid by Health & Population Sector has increased steadily throughout the years. In 2001/2002 DfID Health and Population programme expenditure reached £190 million.

DfID's move away from supporting its own projects and SRHR NGOs and instead assisting national health sector priorities and budget processes, remains a challenge for the Sexual and Reproductive Health sector.

Despite increased opposition, I am confident that with combined efforts we will ensure that a greater number of women and couples will be empowered to make sexual and reproductive health choices. Today 60 per cent of women in the developing world are using family planning compared to 10 per cent in the 1960s and birth-rates have dropped by half.

However we still have a long way to go as these figures demonstrate:

- 350 million couples would use contraception today, but have no access to advice or services;
- 500,000 women die in childbirth each year, half of these in Africa - the main causes of death being unsafe abortion, post partum haemorrhage, puerperal sepsis, pre-eclampsia and obstructed labour;
- 60 million people have been infected with HIV since the epidemic began two decades ago and it is projected that between 2000 and 2020, 68 million people will die prematurely from AIDS.

The APPG on PD&RH continues to encourage initiatives to increase individuals and couples access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health services in order to achieve social and economical progress, environmental protection and poverty reduction.

In year 2003/2004 the APPG on PD&RH will be actively involved in the ICPD +10 preparations and event. We hope that the profile and funding for SRHR will increase and that DfID will reinstate a SRHR Advisor into the Policy Unit. The group will with support from the APPG on AIDS, SRHR NGOs and HIV NGOs prepare and hold Hearings on Integration of Reproductive Health and HIV/AIDS services.

*Chris McCafferty*

Christine McCafferty MP  
Chair

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND STAFF**

The APPG on PD&RH committee is active in planning and running the group's business.

**Chair** Christine McCafferty MP (L)

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## **NEW GROUP MEMBERS APRIL 2002 - MARCH 2003**

### **New Group Members**

- Sandra Gidley MP (LD) Sandra Gidley MP is the LD Spokesperson for Women in the HoC
- Judy Mallaber MP (L) Judy Mallaber MP is a backbench Labour MP
- Baroness Thomas (LD) Susan Thomas is the LD Spokesperson for Women's Issues in the HoL
- Lord Chan (XB) Michael Chan is a XB consultant paediatrician with expertise and a long standing interest in Maternal and Child Health Issues

All new group members have received a covering letter introducing them to the APPG on PD&RH, Marie Stopes International Briefing Pack, the International Conference on Population and Development Programme of Action and the APPG on PD&RH Annual Report 2001/2002.

*Please find enclosed a copy of the introduction letter and MSI's Briefing Pack as appendix 1.*

### **New Committee Members**

Richard Ottaway MP Richard Ottaway MP is now the APPG on PD&RH Joint Vice-Chairman

### **Group Members promoted to Ministerial positions**

Fiona MacTaggart MP Fiona MacTaggart MP, a group member, is now a Home Office Junior Minister with responsibilities for Race Equality, Community Policy and Civic Renewal

Gareth Thomas MP Gareth Thomas MP, a group member, is now the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for International Development

### **New Staff Member**

Andy Evans Andy Evans was recruited in June 2002, as the new Secretary/Administrator to the APPG on PD&RH. Responsibilities include updating and managing the group's website together with financial and general administrative support.

## **APPG PD&RH AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

### **Aim**

The APPG on PD&RH aims to encourage initiatives to increase access to and improve sexual and reproductive health and rights services worldwide

### **Objectives**

Raise the profile of population, and sexual and reproductive health and rights including family planning issues in Parliament and internationally;

Provide parliamentary backing to the Secretary of State for International Development in his negotiations with the Treasury with a view to increasing the UK, Overseas Development Aid to 0.7% of GNP;

Keep under review population trends and sexual and reproductive health and rights programmes/policies/legislation nationally and internationally;

In consultation with Government departments, international agencies and NGOs, assess how this country might respond to requests from outside for support and to press for action by Parliament and the Government;

Study the results of research into the causes and consequences of population changes and the effect that access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health services have and draw these to the attention of both Houses of Parliament;

Increase awareness of the interdependence between countries, with reference to poverty reduction, women equality, access to sexual and reproductive health and right services, environment, consumption and pollution and the impact of legislation, policies and practices of one country upon others.

## **PARLIAMENTARY ACTIVITIES**

### **INPUT**

#### **MEETINGS**

##### **APPG on PD&RH Committee Meetings**

The group held 5 committee meetings between April 2002 – March 2003.

April 11 <sup>th</sup>	2002
July 3 <sup>rd</sup>	2002
October 23 <sup>rd</sup>	2002 (AGM)
January 8 <sup>th</sup>	2003
February 12 <sup>th</sup>	2003

*Please find enclosed committee meeting minutes as appendix 2.*

In March 2003 Patrick McAuley, an external UNFPA consultant evaluated UNFPA supported advocacy work in Europe, which included an evaluation of the UK APPG on PD&RH advocacy work. The consultant concluded that the groups advocacy efforts are working well and are delivering good value.

##### **APPG on PD&RH Parliamentary Briefing Meetings**

11 Parliamentary briefing meetings/receptions were organised during the course of the year to update group members on SRHR and international development issues.

##### **May 2002, Screening of a short documentary film 'Freedom to choose', highlighting IPPF's life-saving projects in Peru and Georgia**

Broadcaster Anna Raeburn was guest speaker at this event.

The meeting created a lively discussion between MPs, Peers and IPPF representatives on funding difficulties for SRHR NGOs and on issues around the Mexico City Policy.

*Please find enclosed invitation to screening of film as appendix 3.*

##### **May 2002, UK MPs China Study Tour**

Ms Baige, Coordinator of the Department of International Cooperation, State Family Planning Commission of China and Christine McCafferty MP, Edward Leigh MP and Norman Lamb MP (China study tour team) spoke at the event. The study tour team concluded that UNFPA is a force for good in China and it is important that UNFPA remains actively involved in China, with continued financial support from the UK and other Western Governments.

The meeting was well attended by DfID representatives, SRHR NGO representatives and fellow MPs including Tony Baldry MP, Chair of the DfID Select Committee.

##### **November 2002, Commodity Security Supply**

Anthony Brown, Environmental Editor of the Times and Trustee of Population Concern (now Interact Worldwide) and Peer Educators from the UK and the Developing World were guest speakers at this event.

The meeting was well attended by MPs, Peers and NGO representatives and there was a lively discussion around the issue of commodity security supply together with discussions around the issue of reproductive health and sustainable development following the WSSD.

*Please find enclosed invitation to Commodity Security Supply reception as appendix 4.*

*Please find enclosed Christine McCafferty MPs introductory remarks as appendix 5.*

### **December 2002: UNFPA State of the World Population Report 2002**

Ms Obaid, Executive Director UNFPA and Sally Keeble MP, Under Secretary of State for International Development were guest speakers at this reception.

Ms Obaid and Sally Keeble MP spoke on the theme of the 2002 World Population Report: People, Poverty and Possibilities: Making Development Work for the Poor.

The meeting was well attended by MPs, Peers, NGO representatives, and DfID representatives. As well as the 2002, World Population Report being available the Ottawa Commitment from the Parliamentary Conference on the implementation of the ICPD PoA was handed out at the reception and discussed.

*Please find enclosed correspondence and invitation to World Population Report reception as appendix 6.*

*Please find enclosed Christine McCafferty MP's introductory remarks as appendix 7.*

*Please find enclosed press release on event by Marie Stopes International as appendix 8.*

### **December 2002: MSI's Uganda and Malawi Reproductive Health Programmes**

Julia Ekong, MSI Advocacy Manager, Hans Zweschper and Aasha Pai, senior programme managers briefed a group of MPs and Peers over dinner on MSI's Uganda and Malawi country programmes and DfID's SWAP support to Malawi.

During the briefing it became apparent that MPs and Peers were interested in DfID's move to SWAP and how this has affected reproductive health programme work. A date was set for a consultant to brief group members on SWAP and reproductive health.

*Please find enclosed MSI Uganda and Malawi summary programme reports as appendix 9.*

### **February 2003: Maternal to Child Transmission of HIV/AIDS**

Dr Isabelle de Zoysa, Director HIV Prevention WHO and Dr Steven Sinding, Director-General IPPF were key note speakers at this reception, where IPPF launched their 'Learning from the field – a publication documenting experience of HIV prevention from IPPF's member Family Planning Associations'. Dr Steven Sinding presented a summary overview of the publication and Dr Isabelle de Zoysa updated MPs, Peers and NGO representatives on MTCT of HIV. Questions and answers followed.

*Please find enclosed invitation to 'Learning from the field' publication enclosed as appendix 10.*

*Please find enclosed Dr Isabelle de Zoysa's PowerPoint presentation as appendix 11.*

### **February 2003: Afghanistan Minister for Women's Affairs**

Dr Habiba Surabi, Afghanistan Minister for Women's Affairs visited the UK. A dinner was organised with group members to welcome her and to hear about Women's Affairs in Afghanistan.

Baroness Thomas, the spokesperson for Women's Affairs in the HoL, was invited to the dinner and subsequently joined the APPG on PD&RH.

*Please find invitation to dinner enclosed as appendix 12.*

### **February 2003: Opposition in European Parliaments**

Stirling Scruggs, Director of Information and External Relations Divisions UNFPA briefed MPs and Peers and opposition researchers on the false allegations made against UNFPA. Specific reference was made to the most recent publication United Nations Population Fund: Assault on the World's Peoples by Douglas A. Sylva, and UNFPA's work in China, Vietnam, Peru and Tanzania. Questions and answers followed.

*Please find enclosed Stirling Scruggs introductory speech on opposition in the European Parliaments as appendix 13.*

### **March 2003: International Women's Day and FGM**

Christine McCafferty MP, Chair APPG on PD&RH, Maggie Baxter, Executive Director Women Kind, Ms Bogaletch Gebre, Kembatta Self Help Centre – Ethiopia and Ms Shamis Dirir, Director BWHAFS were key note speakers at the International Women's Day event on the issue of FGM and Ann Clwyd MP's Private Member Bill on FGM.

Speakers updated MPs, Peers, FGM NGO representatives and Press on FGM and Ann Clwyd MP's forthcoming Private Member Bill. Questions and answers followed.

*Please find enclosed invitation to FGM event as appendix 14.*

*Please find enclosed report of event, which include Christine McCafferty MP's speech, as appendix 15.*

### **April 2003: IPPF Strategic plan and DFID Restructuring**

Dr Steven Sinding, Director General IPPF and his wife were invited to a welcome dinner at the HoC. Dr Steven Sinding briefed group members of his strategic plan and restructuring of IPPF together with an overview of the recent restructuring within DfID.

MPs and Peers welcomed presentations in their preparation for the following days meeting with Clare Short MP, Secretary of State for International Development and her advisors.

*Please find enclosed an organogramme of the IPPF restructuring as appendix 16.*

### **April 2003: SWAP and Reproductive Health**

Linda Humphrey, MSI Consultant briefed group members on SWAP and reproductive health.

MPs and Peers welcomed the presentation and discussions that followed. Questions around the issue of SWAP and reproductive health were included in the briefing for the meeting with Clare Short MP, Secretary of State for International Development and her advisors the following day.

*Please find enclosed Linda Humphrey's PowerPoint presentation as appendix 17.*

### **Non APPG on PD&RH Briefing Meetings**

Committee members and Parliamentary and Policy Advisor attended 17 briefing meetings during the course of the year.

### **April 2002: APPG Pro Choice group meeting on UK Sexual Health Strategy**

Professor Michael Adler, Consultant on the UK Sexual Health and HIV Strategy presented an overview of the UK National Strategy for Sexual Health and HIV.

### **June 2002: UK Family Planning Association Reception**

Hazel Blears MP, Minister for Public Health spoke about the UK Sexual Health Strategy at the FPA evening reception.

### **June 2002: Martha Campbell, Co-Director, Center for Entrepreneurship in International Health and Development, School of Public Health, California**

Martha Campbell presented the draft statement signed by 18 Arabic and African population and development partners on Population and Sustainable development in the spring 2002. A list of population and development partners was provided to ensure their participation at the UK APPG on PD&RH and UNFPA WSSD side event.

*Please find enclosed list of development partners as appendix 18.*

### **August 2002: Bond WSSD Meeting**

Advisor attended the WSSD Bond meeting. Michael Meacher MP, UK Environment Minister presented the Governments position on various sustainable development issues. The issue of Population/Reproductive Health/Women's Rights was raised. Michael Meacher MP was supportive of the issues and aware of the US anti-choice agenda.

### **December 2002: UNFPA Annual Population Report 2002 Launch**

Advisor attended the UNFPA Annual Population Report 2002 launch on People, Poverty and Possibilities: Making Development Work for the Poor.

Group visit cards were handed out to interested press and an interview was given by the groups Parliamentary and Policy Advisor to Canada Television on the Bush Administration and its attempt to role back Women's Rights at the WSSD.

Christine McCafferty MP tabled an EDM on the UNFPA Annual Population Report to raise awareness of the link between Reproductive Health/Population and Poverty Elimination. The EDM was signed by 44 MPs.

#### **EDM 378:**

##### **McCafferty/Chris**

*That this House congratulates UNFPA on its State of the World Population Report, 2002: People, Poverty and Possibilities: Making Development Work for the Poor; notes that closing the gender gap in education helps women to reduce fertility and improves child survival; further notes that in countries where girls are only half as likely to go to school as boys, there are on average 21.1 more infant deaths per 1,000 live births than in countries with no such gender gap; further notes that Jeffery Sachs, Kofi Annan's Special Adviser on the UN Millennium Development Goals, commented that women's access to reproductive health services is not just a worthy goal on its own, but an absolutely critical tool in alleviating poverty; and recognises that reproductive health, family planning services and population policies feed into all Millennium development goals.*

### **December 2002: Durex Briefing Lunch**

Advisor met with Durex representative to discuss Durex briefing packs and latest development. A visit to Durex Research and Development for MPs was discussed and planned.

### **January 2003: APPG Pro-Choice Meeting on abortion legislation in the UK**

The Royal College of Nursing and National medical staff presented and discussed the issue of abortion and consent in the UK. The RCN was lobbying for nurses to be able to sign abortion forms and take responsibility for medical abortions with medical back up, as opposed to two doctors being responsible, which causes delay in abortion procedures and extra stress on women seeking abortions.

### **January 2003: APPG on AIDS meeting on Epidemiology of Sexually Transmitted Infections (including HIV/AIDS) in Britain**

Dr Kevin Fenton (Head, Consultant and Epidemiologist, HIV/STI division) and Dr Barry Evans (Consultant epidemiologist and HIV/STI division) presented an overview of the UK's STI/HIV/AIDS statistics.

*Please find enclosed invitation to Epidemiology of STIs in UK and PowerPoint presentations as appendix 19.*

### **January 2003: MSI Opinion Leader Research Workshop**

Group members were involved in MSI's Opinion Leader Research survey/workshop on opinion leaders understanding and response to reproductive health issues.

*Please find enclosed request letter and a summary of survey response as appendix 20.*

### **January 2003: APPG Pro-Life Meeting on CFHRI report: "UNFPA - Assault on the World's Peoples".**

Douglas Sylva presented the above publication, which include lies against UNFPA.

Advisor presented meeting discussions at an APPG on PD&RH committee meeting. Committee members agreed that the groups Advisor should write to MPs, Peers and Researchers present at the SPUC meeting (Lord Ahmed, Desmond Swayne MP, Edward Leigh MP's Researcher, and Lady Masham of Ilton), and representatives of the Catholic press to counteract the lies in the publication. Advisor forwarded UNFPA material to counteract allegations against UNFPA and also spoke to the press. MPs, Peers and Researchers were all invited to the APPG on PD&RH's parliamentary meeting on 'Opposition in European Parliaments'.

*Please find enclosed letters written to press with Dr Sylva's allegations and UNFPA's briefings counteracting allegations against them as appendix 21.*

**February 2003: APPG on AIDS Meeting on the Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria.**

Dr Richard Feachem, Director of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria and his Advisors gave an overview of the Global Health Fund, its funding situation and its work to fight HIV/AIDS. Dr Feachem was optimistic about future funding to the Fund.

*Please find enclosed briefing for meeting as appendix 22.*

**March 2003: The Institute of Development Studies launched a book to celebrate International Women's Day. Realizing Rights: Transforming Approaches to Sexual and Reproductive Well-being**

Adrea Cornwall and Alice Welbourne spoke about the book and discussions followed around book case studies. Allegations on the Roma women and forced sterilisation in Slovakia were raised at the meeting. Advisor informed participants that Christine McCafferty MP had already met with the Slovakia Ambassador to discuss the allegations and was in the process of organising a study tour to Slovakia with the Council of Europe to investigate further.

*Please find enclosed invitation to launch as appendix 23.*

**March 2003: APPG on AIDS Meeting on Dr David Gisselquist's publication: Unsafe Medical Practices Drive HIV.**

Dr David Gisselquist publication 'Unsafe Medical Practices Drive HIV' in the March edition of the International Journal of STD & AIDS, a British Royal Society of Medicine Publication, was presented at this meeting. The allegations were rejected by the International Community including WHO.

Allegations were discussed at an APPG on PD&RH committee meeting.

*Please find enclosed invitation and briefing as appendix 24.*

**March 2003: APPG on Heavily Indebted Poor Countries Meeting on Debt Relief & Financing for the Millennium Development Goals.**

Sarah Kline (Oxfam), Henry Northover (CAFOD) and Paul Ladd (Christine Aid) spoke about the international commitments to the Millennium Development Goals and the role of debt relief as a mechanism to mobilise sufficient resources.

*Please find enclosed invitation as appendix 25.*

**March 2003: APPG Pro-life meeting on Pro-life witness in the public square: The Challenge for Christians.**

Dr Deal Hudson, Catholic Advisor to the US Administration spoke about the importance of the catholic support to the Republican vote and how Catholics should support American unilateralism and ignore the Vatican's plea for a multilateral approach to the Iraq crisis because the UN was an organisation of disrepute due to the activities of UNFPA and can therefore not be trusted.

*Please find enclosed invitation as appendix 26.*

### **March 2003: APPG on AIDS Meeting on: Are you HIV Prejudiced?**

The National AIDS Trust launched their first national public awareness campaign aimed at challenging the stigma and prejudice associated with HIV and the discrimination that people living with HIV can experience. Case examples were given by people living with HIV/AIDS.

*Please find enclosed invitation as appendix 27.*

### **February/April 2003: Christine McCafferty MP Meeting with Geoff Cordell, Director of the NGO ChildHope**

Christine McCafferty MP was approached by Geoff Cordell, Director of ChildHope to become a Patron for the NGO. Meetings were organised between Christine McCafferty MP, Geoff Cordell, other patrons and ChildHope Staff. Christine McCafferty MP agreed to be a patron for the ChildHope NGO, which works in the field of children and young people, their welfare and rights including their SRHR.

*Please find enclosed ChildHope programme information as appendix 28.*

## **European Meetings**

### **Intra European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development**

The close collaboration between the UK APPG on PD&RH and the IEPFPD and its members has continued throughout the year.

The UK APPG on PD&RH newsletters, PQs, EDMs, lobby and advocacy briefings have been shared with the IEPFPD and its members. Most enquiries and requests for information are now being dealt with through the groups updated website.

WSSD prep-work and ESCAP prep-work was undertaken in collaboration with IEPFPD. Lobbying and advocacy document were shared between IEPFPD members.

Study tours to Latin America and Nepal were organised by IEPFPD with participation from the UK APPG on PD&RH.

Tony Worthington MP with support from the IEPFPD went to lobby US Congress Members on the Mexico City Policy in June 2003. Tony Worthington MP also met with Ms Obaid, UNFPA's Executive Director in May to discuss the forthcoming APPG on PD&RH Hearings on integration of reproductive health and HIV/AIDS services in developing countries.

*Please find enclosed briefing on the Mexico City Policy as appendix 29.*

Christine McCafferty MP, Martyn Jones MP and Advisor attended the IEPFPD annual meeting in Lisbon in May 2003.

Christine McCafferty MP presented the UK APPG on PD&RD WSSD lobbying activities and discussed the 'Body and Soul' Report and her Slovakia Study tour. Requests were made from fellow European MPs for copies of the WSSD PowerPoint presentation and the Slovakia study tour statement, which were subsequently forwarded.

Christine McCafferty MP stood down from being the treasurer of the IEPFPD committee due to other parliamentary commitments. Martyn Jones MP was nominated as the new UK IEPFPD committee member. Martyn Jones MP chaired the closing meeting of the IEPFPD AGM meeting.

*Please find enclosed extractions of the IEPFPD annual report as appendix 30.*

### **European High Level Meeting**

Tony Worthington MP and APPG on PD&RH treasurer attended the High Level Meeting on “Challenges and Solutions to European Financing of Population, Development and Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights, 10 – 11<sup>th</sup> September 2002.

*Please find enclosed recommendations of action on the implementation and follow-up on the Plan of Action of the ICPD, which was discussed at the High Level Meeting as appendix 31.*

### **European Workshop on Opposition**

Advisor attended the ‘Opposition to Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights’ workshop at IPPF Brussels, 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> January 2003.

On the second day of the Opposition to Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights workshop in Brussels in January 2003, secretariats for European Parliamentary Groups met to discuss successful opposition Parliamentary work. Advisor presented an overview of the UK APPG on PD&RH WSSD activities and the UK MPs study tour to China.

*Please find enclosed agenda and extractions of “workshop on opposition to Sexual and Reproductive Health” report as appendix 32.*

*Please find enclosed report of secretariats meeting as appendix 33.*

It was decided and agreed upon that a more proactive strategy was now needed in Europe and more infiltration with oppositions to counteract anti-choice attacks. A change of tone of language should be used in lobbying and campaign work. The ProLife lobby movement should be referred to as ‘anti-choice’ instead of ‘pro-life’.

Advisor has been attending Parliamentary SPUC meetings and sent SRHR briefing material to press and anti-choice MPs and Peers to counteract false allegations being made against SRHR organisations.

### **EuroNGO Meetings**

Advisor attended the EuroNGO annual meeting on behalf of the group in Rome, 24-27 October 2002.

The meeting was hosted by AIDOS and UICEMP.

Working sessions were on the following subjects: Reproductive Health Supplies, Safe Abortion, European Media and Advocacy work, HIV/AIDS, Youth, donor presentations, EuroMapping Presentation, Resource Mobilisation Experience with the Private Corporate Sector, Speakers corner – NGO presentation and discussions, Face to Face presentation, EuroNGO Working Plan, Elections and general administration.

*Please find enclosed agenda of EuroNGO meeting as appendix 34.*

Advisor met with Share-Net and Spanish FPA representatives to organise collaborative work especially with regards to the UK supporting the establishment of German, Dutch and Spanish APPG’s on PD&RH. A meeting was organised for 3 UK APPG on PD&RH members to visit the Spanish APPG on PD&RH in the spring 2003.

Advisor attended the ‘To Better Communication’ meeting in October 2002 to discuss future SRHR NGO ICPD +10 campaign work. Advisor presented APPG on PD&RH WSSD activities as requested.

*Please find enclosed APPG on PD&RH WSSD activity presentation as appendix 35.*

The UK APPG on PD&RH signed up to the following European lead campaigns:

1. A letter sent to President Bush concerning Dr W. David Hagar being appointed onto the Food and Drug Administration's Reproductive Health Drugs Advisory Committee;
2. Partition to His Majesty's Government of Nepal Requesting for Clemency for the Women imprisoned in Nepal for Abortion Related Offences;
3. Open letter in support of the ICPD PoA 1994;
4. Letter sent to Poul Nielson in response to the group of 47 MEPs concerned with funding for SRHR in Developing Countries.

*Please find enclosed letters signed by the group as appendix 36.*

### **Conservative UK MP's and MEP's Meeting**

During the EU debate on EU regulation on Aid for Policies and Action on Reproductive and Sexual Health and Rights in Developing countries, 7 conservative UK MEPs signed a letter to Paul Nielson opposing funding to UNFPA and IPPF. The letter included a list of misconceptions on UNFPA's and IPPF's work in developing countries. In order to counteract the misconceptions on SRHR work carried out by UNFPA, IPPF and other SRHR NGOs, Richard Ottaway MP, Vice-Chairman agreed to meet with his Conservative MEP colleagues. The meeting took place in the EU Parliament with support from the MSI MEP APPG on PD&RH in February 2003.

Richard Ottaway MP met with Dr Charles Tannock MEP, Malcolm Harbour MEP, Jonathan Evans MEP and Dr Caroline Jackson MEP. He also met with Theresa Villiers MEP who is supportive of the ICPD PoA.

Meetings were successful in that all MEPs met, were fairly supportive of family planning and general SRH issues, but anti-abortion and very sceptical about the number of women dying from unsafe abortion. Some MEPs mentioned that they thought abortion figures and subsequent maternal mortality figures were highly inflated by UNFPA and UN organisations in order to advance the abortion agenda. Scepticism around the issue of population stabilisation and economic growth of a country was also raised. Most MEPs who signed the letter to Paul Nielson thought that UNFPA and IPPF supported mainly abortion services as opposed to comprehensive SRHR services and advocacy work. MEPs were not familiar with the ICPD PoA and its wording around abortion. Misconceptions were corrected.

*Please find enclosed letter signed by MEPs to Paul Nielson, correspondence between Richard Ottaway MP and his conservative colleagues Nirj Deva MEP, Timothy Kirkhope MEP, Charles Tannock MEP, Malcolm Harbour MEP, Deniel Hannan MEP, John Bowis MEP, Chris Heaton Harris MEP, Bashir Khanbai MEP, John Corrie MEP, Jonathan Evans MEP and Caroline Jackson MEP and presentation prepared for meeting as appendix 37.*

### **Council of Europe**

Christine McCafferty MP continues to be a member of the Social Health and Family Committee in the CoE. Advisor has been in regular contact with the CoE secretariat and the IEPFPD to coordinate and support Christine McCafferty MP's activities in the CoE on SRHR.

Christine McCafferty MP has been following up on the CoE Motion for a Resolution for a European Strategy for Sexual and Reproductive Health. A study tours was organised to Slovakia and another two are being organised to Poland and Turkey. Christine McCafferty MP successfully advocated for representation from the social pillar of sustainable development at the WSSD in the CoE and participated in various debates including the debate on sustainable development and on adolescent SRHR.

*Please find enclosed briefing for speeches at the CoE on SRHR and Sustainable Development and on adolescent SRH as appendix 38.*

## **STUDY TOURS**

Study tours were organised to China, Malawi, Uganda, Kenya, Latin America, Nepal and Slovakia.

### **China Study Tour**

Christine McCafferty MP, Edward Leigh MP and Norman Lamb MP visited China 1<sup>st</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> April 2002 and concluded that UNFPA is a force for good in China. The China study tour report was circulated to President Bush and Advisors, Clare Short MP, Secretary of State for International Development and Advisors, DfID Select Committee members, APPG on PD&RH members, UNFPA, SRHR NGOs and IEPFPD. The Report has also been sent to other European MPs as requested.

The study tour team met with Clare Short MP, Secretary of State for International Development and advisors upon their return to discuss findings.

*Please find enclosed correspondence and minutes of meeting as appendix 39.*

The study tour findings continue to be quoted in the press and in Parliamentary debates.

*Please find enclosed articles that refer to the UK MPs China study tour as appendix 40.*

*Please find enclosed Christine McCafferty MP's published comments to the editor of Catholics for a Free Choice, "Conscience" as appendix 41.*

*Please find enclosed reference to UK China Study tour in CoE report on Impact of the "Mexico City Policy" on the free choice of contraception in Europe as appendix 42.*

*Please find enclosed Irish MEP Mary Banotti letter to the Editor of the Irish Times reference to UK MPs China study tour attached as appendix 43.*

Despite the UK and US delegation concluding that UNFPA's work in China is having a positive impact on the quality of care in China, organisations continue to oppose UNFPA's and MSI family planning and reproductive health work in China.

In the UK Parliament an NGO by the name Independent Tibet Network continues to print and disseminate misinformation reports widely. The NGO has now gone to the extent of mis-using the Parliamentary Portcullis Logo on their annual report to make their argument legitimate. This has been reported by the APPG on PD&RH to the Parliamentary authorities.

*Please find enclosed correspondence between Norman Lamb MP, APPG on PD&RH, SoA, DfID and the Independent Tibet Network as appendix 44.*

During the course of the year the APPG on PD&RH organised meetings and facilitated communication between Edward Leigh MP and UNFPA.

*Please find enclosed questions and correspondence as appendix 45.*

### **Malawi and Uganda Study Tours**

Study tours were organised for group members to visit MSI SRH clinics in Uganda and Malawi.

Debra Shipley MP and Richard Ottaway MP visited Uganda 8<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> April 2003.

Martyn Jones MP, Dr Jenny Tonge MP, Candy Atherton MP, Sandra Osborne MP and Advisor visited Malawi 10<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May 2003.

Summary report, pictures and video for Malawi study tour can be found on the APPG on PD&RH's website.

A Parliamentary meeting on the study tours is being organised in the Autumn 2003, where MPs will show study tour videos and engage the press in Reproductive Health Issues.

### **Kenya Study Tour**

Lord Rea visited development projects in Kenya in December 2002, and used the opportunity to visit IPPF and MSI Reproductive Health clinics and programmes.

### **Latin America and Nepal Study Tours**

Two study tours were organised via the IEPFPD to Latin America and Nepal. Baroness Northover was enrolled for the Nepal study, which was unfortunately postponed due to civil unrest in the country and Michael Connarty MP was enrolled for the Latin American study tour, but unfortunately had to withdraw due to other Parliamentary commitments.

### **Slovakia Study Tour**

Christine McCafferty MP visited Slovakia in April 2003 through the CoE. Christine McCafferty MP went to investigate the "Body and Soul" Report: Forced Sterilisation and Other Assaults on Roma Reproductive Freedom and to obtain first hand experience of sexual and reproductive health in Eastern Europe in support of her European Sexual Health Strategy.

Immediately prior to the Slovakia visit a meeting was organised in the UK parliament with the Slovakian Ambassador upon his request.

Following on from that meeting, briefings and relevant arrangements were made to see appropriate Slovakian officials during the visit.

*Please find enclosed Christine McCafferty MP's Slovakia Study Tour statement as appendix 46.*

## **GENERAL WRITTEN BRIEFINGS AND NEWSLETTERS**

Written briefings have been circulated to committee and group members during the year to ensure regular updating on SRHR/population issues.

4 APPG PD&RH newsletters were published and disseminated this year to all group members.

*Please find APPG PD&RH newsletters enclosed as appendix 47.*

MPs occasionally made requests for full articles from newsletters. As an example Dr Jenny Tonge MP made a request for the Mozambique Bishops statement on Condoms:

*"God clearly tells us that we must protect life at all costs. To not do so is committing a serious sin against God."*

*"A is for abstinences - many of you cannot live by this advice. Let us be realistic, few if any of you can abstain. Which brings us to B, be faithful - some of you are faithful...many of you are not. So that leaves us with C...condoms. Now many of you believe that condoms are a crime against God...that wasted semen is a sin and I am here today to tell you otherwise."*

*"You see, if you are HIV+ and you have unprotected sex and you infect someone, you have, in the eyes of God, committed murder. Or if you are HIV- and you have unprotected sex with someone who is infected, and they infect you, you have, in the eyes of God, committed suicide."*

*"So my Children, wearing a condom is not a sin....not wearing one IS!"*

*Can't argue with that logic! Sunday church services will never be the same as now every Sunday, part of the Celebration is the blessing of the condoms. That's right, the BLESSING OF THE CONDOMS!*

A population graph was prepared for Richard Ottaway MP upon his request.

*Please find enclosed population graph as appendix 48.*

A briefing on young peoples Sexual Health in the UK was prepared for Christine McCafferty MP for her constituency meeting on Sexual Health.

*Please find enclosed UK Sexual Health briefing as appendix 49.*

A briefing on the US' retraction from the ICPD PoA at the ESCAP meeting was sent to committee members.

*Please find enclosed ESCAP briefing as appendix 50.*

The Economist article: The war that never ends, was circulated to all members.

Steven Sinding, Director General IPPF said: *'This article is the best I have seen in analysing fundamental US-European difference in approaches to abortion, and the way those differences resonate in politics and society. A useful resource for you in our common fight for health and rights worldwide.'*

*Please find enclosed 'The Economist' article as appendix 51.*

The MSI's Position Papers on Reproductive Health Supplies security was circulated to all group members.

*Please find enclosed the Reproductive Health Supplies position paper as appendix 52.*

The MSI Reproductive Healthcare in Refugee settings was circulated to all members on the International Refugee day.

*Please find enclosed the Reproductive Healthcare in Refugee settings briefing as appendix 53.*

## **GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE**

Committee members and Advisor have held both formal and informal meetings and corresponded regularly throughout the year with a variety of both national and international SRHR stakeholders including:

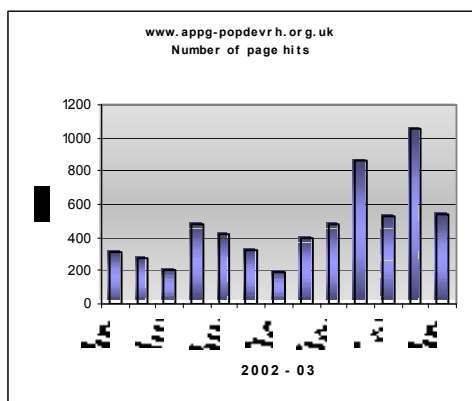
UK Government officials in DfID and DEFRA, MPs and Ministers, UN officials, national, regional and international APPGs secretariats and MPs, Trust Funds and Foundations, and academics institutions.

Discussion has taken place regularly with IPPF, MSI, Population Concern (Interact Worldwide), IFH, BMA, FORWARD, Amnesty International, Agency for Culture and Change Management, Black Women's Health and Family Support, Rainbo, APPG AIDS, APPG Pro-Choice, APPG International Development, PGA, UNFPA, WHO, UNIFEM, UK Stakeholder Forum, IEPFPD, APFPD, Australian Reproductive Health Alliance, New Zealand FPA, Population Action International, ACPD, Equilibres & Population, WEDO, AIDOS, CoE, LSHTM and CFFC.

Advisor met regularly throughout the year with SRHR NGO representatives to discuss SRHR NGO input into the work of the APPG on PD&RH. Advisor also participated in the UK SRHR NGO network meetings.

Many queries have been referred to the group's updated website, which has the following Headings: Home, contact details, what we do, membership, activities, HoC news, HoL news, publications, links and search.

The group has received numerous congratulations on the updated website. The following statistics have been compiled on website usage:



Please find enclosed copy of website front page as appendix 54.

## OUTPUT

### PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES, ORAL/WRITTEN PQs AND EDMs

Specific briefings were prepared and disseminated by Advisor during the course of the year for Debates and PQs, as requested by group members.

#### Parliamentary Debates

##### **November 2002, Reply to Queens State Opening Speech**

Baroness Flather replied to the Queens State opening speech with specific reference to the issue of SRHR/Population and International Development. Briefing was prepared by MSI.

Baroness Flather said:

*"The Cairo Programme of Action was a landmark . . . It gave us the right agenda for population . . . We paid particular attention to reproductive health."*

*"We must do everything we can to reduce the rate at which unwanted pregnancy occurs."*

The Minister said:

*"When a woman does decide that she does not wish to go through with an unwanted pregnancy, she needs services and care that are safe, accessible and respectful of her decision. She is the one best placed to make the moral decision this involves."*

The Minister continued by saying:

*"And that includes having enough respect for the poor of the world—most of whom are women—to ensure that they are able to control their own fertility, have healthy wanted children and be able to live to see them grow up as educated and creative citizens"*.

Please find enclosed HoL Hansard as appendix 55.

##### **December 2002, Climate Change and Sustainable Development Debate in Westminster Hall**

Christine McCafferty MP spoke on the issue of Population and Sustainable Development in the Westminster Hall debate to raise the issue of SRHR/population and sustainable development. Advisor prepared the brief. Robert Key MP, Dr Jenny Tonge MP and Tony Worthington MP also participated in the debate and raised the issue of the opposition to SRHR in Europe.

Please find enclosed briefing and HoC Hansard as appendix 56.

*Please find enclosed thank you letter from Sally Keeble MP, USS for ID for participating in the debate and raising the issue of SRHR/Population and the opposition as appendix 57.*

### **December 2002, Myanmar Debate in HoL**

Baroness Northover raised the issue of Reproductive Health in the debate on Myanmar in the HoL. Advisor prepared a brief.

*Please find enclosed briefing and HoL Hansard as appendix 58.*

### **February 2003, Southern Africa Debate in HoL**

Baroness Northover and Lord Chan raised the issue of Reproductive Health in the Southern Africa Debate in the HoL. Advisor prepared a brief.

*Please find enclosed briefing and HoL Hansard as appendix 59.*

### **February 2003, Southern Africa Food Crisis Debate in Westminster Hall**

Tony Worthington MP made reference to Bush's plan on spending \$15 Billion on HIV in Africa and Bush's attempt to further separate HIV and RH. Advisor prepared a brief.

*Please find enclosed briefing and HoC Hansard as appendix 60.*

### **March 2003, Women's Day Debate in Westminster Hall**

Robert Key MP participated in the Women's Day debate in Westminster Hall. Advisor prepared a brief.

*Please find enclosed briefing and HoC Hansard as appendix 61.*

### **March 2003, International AIDS crisis Debate in Westminster Hall**

Tony Worthington MP and Robert Key MP participated in the International AIDS crisis debate in Westminster Hall. The issue and problems around the segregating of SRHR and HIV/AIDS was raised together with opposition. Advisor prepared a brief on commodity security for the debate.

*Please find enclosed briefing and HoC Hansard as appendix 62.*

Throughout the year Christine McCafferty MP entered the ballot for an Adjournment Debate on the ICPD PoA in the Westminster Hall without success.

### **Parliamentary Questions**

Parliamentary questions were tabled by Christine McCafferty MP, Tony Worthington MP, Martyn Jones MP and Richard Ottaway MP in the HoC and by Viscount Craigavon and Baroness Massey in the HoL.

Questions requested statements and information on SRHR Funding to UN organisations, the EU, bilateral and NGOs and on specific SRHR Project Funding. Questions were also tabled on issues of DfID SRHR policies and DfID actions with regards to US SRHR policies.

*Please find enclosed Oral and Written PQs in the HoC and HoL as appendix 63.*

### **Early Day Motions**

EDMs were tabled by Christine McCafferty MP and signed by members of the group and other supportive MPs.

An EDM was tabled in July 2002 on the World Population Day to raise the issue of Population and Reproductive Health. The EDM was signed by 42 MPs.

### ***EDM 1604***

#### ***McCafferty/Chris***

*That this House calls attention to the World Population Day on 11th July; commends the United Nations' Population Fund for designating this date in 1989 to focus attention on the importance of*

world population and reproductive health issues; endorses the concepts of sexual and reproductive health and rights as enshrined in the 1994 International Conference on Population and Development's Programme of Action; calls upon the Government and the EU to recommit to the ICPD Programme of Action at the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg as sustainable development rests on social progress; believes that empowering women as full partners in sustainable development is one of the surest strategies to ensure social progress, combat poverty and environment degradation, secure democracy and find lasting harmony in the global human condition; and further believes that social progress must start with providing choices, including those of environmental protection and family size, through education and universal access to comprehensive reproductive health services.

## DEPARTMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETINGS

The APPG on PD&RH has been in regular contact with DfID Ministers and DfID's Sexual & Reproductive Health Team throughout the year.

### **DfID Annual Report meeting with DfID Select Committee**

In June 2002 DfID's Permanent Secretary Suma Chakrabarti presented DfID's Annual Report to the DFID Select Committee. Christine McCafferty MP and Tony Worthington MP and members of the DfID Select Committee questioned the Permanent Secretary on SRHR issues.

Christine McCafferty MP raised the issue of DfID shying away from the ICPD agreed funding/goals/indicators. The Permanent Secretary made it very clear that DfID was and remains very committed to SRHR and he would be happy to meet with SRHR NGOs to discuss this further.

*Please find enclosed selected DfID responses to SRHR questions at DfID's annual report meeting as appendix 64.*

In January 2003 the group facilitated a meeting between SRHR NGOs and DFID Select Committee. The SRHR NGO network presented a report to the committee, which outlined a number of concerns about several changes taking place in the sexual and reproductive health funding and policy environment. Specific issues raised were the linkage between SRHR and MDGs, and reduced funding to SRHR services and issues around SRHR and SWAP.

*Please find enclosed communications between group and DfID Select Committee, SRHR NGO written briefing to DFID Select Committee and DFID's response as appendix 65.*

### **DfID SRHR Funding**

Bilateral Aid by Sector: **-Reproductive Health**

£ thousands

Year	Financial Aid (Excl ATP)		Technical Cooperation	Aid and Trade Provision	Grants and Other Aid in Kind	Humanitarian Assistance <sup>1</sup>	DFID Debt Relief <sup>2</sup>	Total DFID Programme <sup>3</sup>	Other Programmes		Total Gross Public Expenditure
	Project or Sector Aid	Programme Aid							CDC Investments	Other <sup>4</sup>	
1998/99	2240	-	11934	-	18212	-	-	32386	-	-	32386
1999/00	2415	-	16580	-	16781	-	-	35775	-	-	35775
2000/01	6639	-	17825	-	16790	-	-	41255	-	-	41255
2001/02	4827	-	18533	-	14380	-	-	37739	-	-	37739
2002/03	9172	-	-19710	-	12340	-	-	41222	-	-	41

## Bilateral Aid by Sector: -Multisectoral Responses to HIV/AIDS

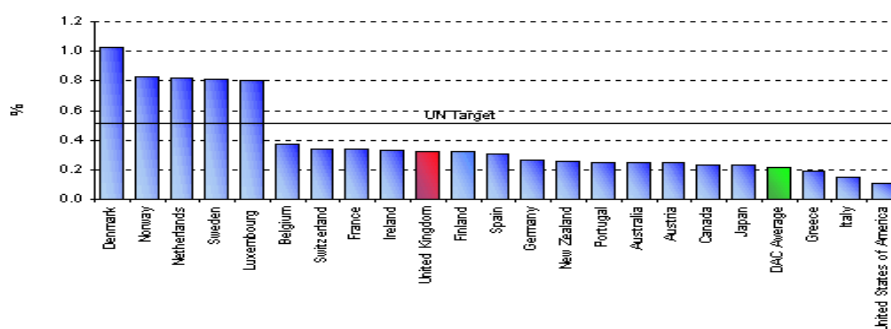
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	Project or Sector Aid	Programme Aid							CDC Investments	Other <sup>4</sup>	
1998/99	1830	-	6343	-	4940	-	-	13113	-	-	13113
1999/00	996	-	8807	-	5443	112	-	15358	-	-	15358
2000/01	342	-	7811	-	7034	-	-	15187	-	-	15187
2001/02	3938	-	16320	-	5712	-	-	25970	-	-	25970
2002/03	4167	-	29265	-	17357	-	-	50789	-	-	50789

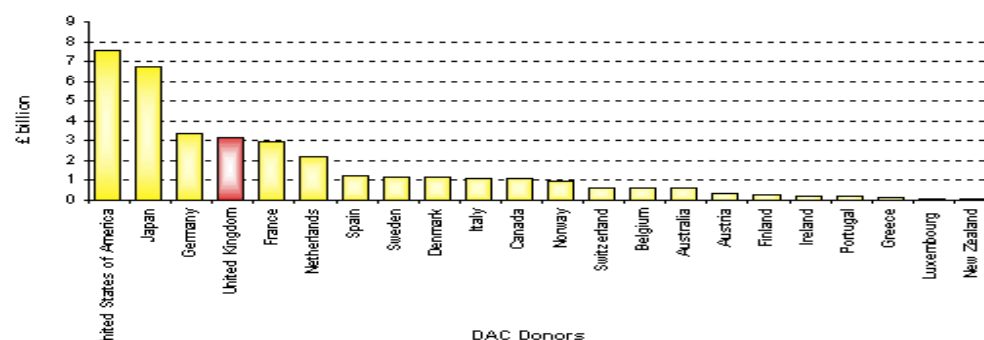
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Name/Year	2002/03	2001/02	2000/01	1999/2000	1998/99	1997/98	1996/97
UNFPA	9,000	24,213	40,050	15,000	13,120	11,500	10,000
WHO	34,156	41,348	75,110	20,300	8,091	12,099	11,619
UNICEF	17,366	17,500	2,619	29,143	10,461	9,241	13,847
UNAIDS	3,052	3,052	3,000	3,000	2,750	2,300	3,500
IPPF	4,500	4,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,850	7,850
MSI	2,979	2,554	5,132	4,945	4,235	3,103	3,202
Interact Worldwide	0	0	3	51	28	138	91
IFH	0	628	508	773	1,151	1,175	762

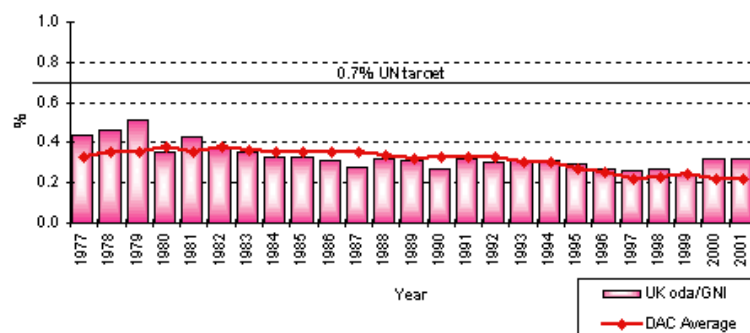
## Net oda to Developing Countries as a Percentage of GNI 2001



## Net oda from DAC Donors to Developing Countries 2001



## Net oda/GNI ratios for the UK



### **APPG on PD&RH Meeting with Clare Short MP, SS for ID and Advisors**

In April 2003, nine APPG on PD&RH group members meet with Clare Short MP, Secretary of State for International Development and her special advisors Mark Lowcock (Director General for Performance and Knowledge Sharing and Michael Schultz (Deputy Director Policy Division).

Group members questioned Clare Short MP, SS for ID and her Advisors on:

- RH and DfID restructuring – Population/SRH Unit abolishment
- Opposition to SRHR – The Bush Administration
- RH and the MDGs
- RH and SWAP
- RH and HIV/AIDS
- ICPD +10
- General SRHR Funding

*Please find enclosed MPs briefing, proposed outline of meeting with questions together with minutes of meeting as appendix 66.*

### **DfID Select Committee Visit to US**

In March the DfID Select Committee visited the US congress. Both Christine McCafferty MP and Tony Worthington MP were meant to go but unfortunately Christine McCafferty MP had to cancel due to other commitments. The meeting that had been organised by UNFPA for Christine McCafferty MP to meet with 9 Congress Members to discuss the China Study Tour findings and conclusions was subsequently cancelled. Tony Worthington MP met with Ms Obaid, UNFPA Executive Director to discuss the UK APPG on PD&RH Hearings on Integration of Reproductive Health and HIV/AIDS services.

## **NATIONAL BILLS AND STRATEGIES**

### **UK Female Genital Mutilation Bill**

As a follow up to the APPG on PD&RH FGM Hearings in 2000, the group has been active in promoting a change to the Female Circumcision Act 1985. Hearing recommendations were to change the Act to:

- Prosecution upon entry to the UK of a person who has aided, abetted, counselled, procured, excised, infibulated a girl/woman abroad, despite FGM being legal in the country where it was performed;
- Conviction of indictment to be lengthened to 4-10 years;
- Changing Female Circumcision to FGM.

Christine McCafferty MP spoke at the Amnesty International meeting on FGM in August 2002, where she met with David Blunkett MP, Home Secretary's Personal Advisor and discussed proposed changes in the current Female Circumcision Act 1985.

Meetings were subsequently organised between FGM NGOs (FORWARD, BWHAFS, Rainbo, ACCM, Midwives etc), the Home Office and group members to discuss Christine McCafferty MP's proposal to bring forward a Private Member Bill to make changes to the FC Act 1985.

*Please find enclosed Christine McCafferty MP introductory words, meeting minutes and general correspondence with FGM NGOs as appendix 67.*

The Agency of Culture and Change Management NGO organised a meeting in May for David Blunkett MP, Home Secretary to visit their FGM projects in Sheffield. Christine McCafferty MP was invited to participate but unfortunately had to cancel due to other commitments.

*Please find enclosed correspondence with Sarah McCulloch FGM NGO coordinator regarding visit to FGM project as appendix 68.*

Meetings and correspondence culminated in Christine McCafferty MP tabling a 10-minute Rule Bill on FGM. Group member Ann Clwyd MP subsequently succeeded in securing number 7 in the Private Member's Bill ballot and agreed to bring forward a private members bill on FGM, as the chances of succeeding would be much greater than a 10-minute Rule Bill.

Meetings and correspondence followed with legal Advisors, Home Office officials, FGM NGOs and APPG on PD&RH group members to ensure a successful Private Members Bill for Ann Clwyd MP.

*Please find enclosed meeting minutes and correspondence on the FGM Bill as appendix 69.*

FGM NGOs prepared and disseminated briefings to MPs for FGM committee members.

*Please find enclosed FGM NGO briefing to MPs as appendix 70.*

Immediately prior to the FGM Private Member's Bill being debated in the HoC Ann Clwyd MP published a newspaper article on FGM in *'the Guardian'* to raise awareness.

*Please find enclosed the FGM Guardian article as appendix 71.*

Christine McCafferty MP tabled an EDM to raise awareness in Parliament and gain All Party support. The EDM was signed by 143 MPs.

#### **EDM 864**

##### **McCafferty/Chris**

*That this House condemns the practice of female genital mutilation, which violates the human rights of girls and women to bodily integrity and has adverse health and social implications; notes that an estimated 130 million women and girls in the world have undergone female genital mutilation and that two million girls are at risk of undergoing some form of the procedure every year; further notes that in the UK women who have undergone female genital mutilation are increasingly presenting themselves to health care professionals, and specialist clinics are treating hundreds of women with female genital mutilation related complications; regrets that there have been no prosecutions under the UK Prohibition of Female Circumcision Act 1985; welcomes the Private Members Bill on female genital mutilation, as a follow-up to the all-Party Parliamentary Group on Population, Development and Reproductive Health's Hearing's report on female genital mutilation to enable people who attempt to circumvent UK laws by taking girls abroad for female genital mutilation, even to countries where the practice is lawful, to be prosecuted on their return to the UK. Development and Reproductive Health's Hearing's Report on female genital mutilation; and urges Her Majesty's Government to act on this Bill, changing the law on female genital mutilation to enable people who attempt to circumvent UK laws by taking girls abroad for female genital mutilation, even to countries where the practice is lawful, to be prosecuted on their return to the UK.*

Ann Clwyd MP's Private Members Bill on FGM had its 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading in March in the HoC and was debated in committee on 25<sup>th</sup> June. The Bill has had All Party support in the HoC. The Bill is now being debated in the HoL with Ruth Rendall taking the lead.

*Please find enclosed Hansard from HoC and committee debates and Bill as appendix 72.*

*Please find enclosed Baroness Rendell PQ in the HoL, November 2002 as appendix 73.*

Christine McCafferty MP spoke about the FGM Private Members Bill in News at One and in BBC's Woman Hour on 21<sup>st</sup> March.

Throughout the year FGM NGOs have been kept updated on Parliamentary events via e-mail and through the APPG on PD&RH website, which include all FGM Parliamentary activities.

There have been regular requests for copies of the APPG on PD&RH's FGM Hearing Report and Survey 2000 throughout the year. People have been referred to the website to download documents.

### **UK Sexual Offences Bill**

The UK Sexual Offences Bill had its Second Reading in the House of Commons on 15 July, and is now in Committee. If both Houses agree on the final draft of the Bill, it will receive Royal Assent and become an Act of Parliament ('Sexual Offences Act').

An EDM was tabled in connection with amendments to the Sexual offences Bill by Sandra Gidley MP and signed by Christine McCafferty MP. The EDM received 62 signatures.

#### ***EDM 521***

##### ***Gidley/Sandra***

*That this House calls on the Government to note the recent deportation of a British national from Cambodia and to use the forthcoming Sexual Offences Bill to amend legislation that allows those convicted of sexual offences to travel overseas for eight days without having to register their visit and to require registered sex offenders planning to travel for longer periods to list all destinations they intend to travel to so the appropriate authorities can be informed; and considers that as sexual offences have a lasting psychological and often physical effect on children it should be the Home Secretary's immediate priority that legislation is in place to protect as many children as possible in this country and abroad from this terrible crime.*

"The Sexual Offences Bill was subsequently amended as per recommendations. UK Sexual offenders who travel abroad will now have to register all destinations travelling too to authorities."

### **UK Sexual Health and HIV Strategy**

An Independent Advisory group on sexual health and HIV has been set up by the Department of Health to collect information and views for the Government.

The group will monitor progress and advice on the implementation of the Sexual Health and HIV Strategy Implementation Action Plan published in 2002.

The group will be chaired by Baroness Gould, currently president of the UK FPA and an active committee member of the APPG on PD&RH and Chair of the APPG ProChoice group.

## **INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES**

### **World Summit on Sustainable Development**

The Group was active at the WSSD prep com meetings in New York, December 2001, in Bali, May 2002 and at the WSSD in Johannesburg in August - September 2002. In collaboration with UNFPA and SRHR NGOs, country delegates and ministers were briefed on SRHR and the ICPD PoA.

Christine McCafferty MP tabled an EDM on WSSD and SRHR to raise the awareness of SRHR and Sustainable Development in Parliament. The EDM received 74 signatures.

#### ***EDM 727***

##### ***McCafferty/Chris***

*That this House recognises the importance of population and reproductive health and rights in respect of the forthcoming World Summit on Sustainable Development; agrees that persistent poverty and serious social and gender inequities have significant influences on and are in turn influenced by demographic factors such as population growth, structure and distribution; further agrees that efforts to slow population growth, reduce poverty, achieve economic progress, improve environmental protection and reduce unsustainable consumption and production are mutually reinforcing; notes that sustained economic growth within the context of sustainable development is essential to eradicate poverty and that eradicating poverty contributes to achieving early population stabilisation; further notes that eliminating all forms of discrimination against women is therefore a prerequisite for eradicating poverty, promoting sustained economic growth, ensuring quality family*

*planning and reproductive health services, and achieving a balance between population and available resources.*

Briefings on linking SRHR/Population and sustainable development were prepared and forwarded to the UK WSSD sub-cabinet committee prior to the prep coms and the WSSD.

Encouraging replies were received from the WSSD sub-cabinet committee stating that the UK would reaffirm its commitment to the ICPD PoA and reference was made to the UK actively encouraging other EU member states to also reaffirm their commitment.

At the WSSD prep coms and at the WSSD, UK and EU delegates facilitated meetings with NGOs to get their input. Advisor participated and presented UK APPG on PD&RH lobbying document.

Christine McCafferty MP met with Margaret Beckett MP, Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and Michael Meacher MP, Environment Minister both formally and informally at the WSSD and repeatedly raised the importance of addressing the issue of SRHR/Population, Women's Empowerment and Sustainable Development at the WSSD.

*Please find enclosed correspondence with John Prescott MP, Deputy Prime Minister, lobbying documents, and summary reports of PrepComs and the WSSD presented at group committee meetings as appendix 74.*

*Please find enclosed DfID's response brief to lobbying as appendix 75.*

The UK APPG on PD&RH in collaboration with UNFPA, The South African Government and IEPFPD organised a side event on Population in Sustainable Development, Reproductive Health and Gender in Poverty Reduction at the WSSD main conference centre. A Parliamentary Declaration was prepared by IEPFPD and the APFPD, which was presented at the WSSD side event and subsequently passed on to the WSSD Bureau.

Christine McCafferty MP chaired the WSSD side event. The panel comprised of Mr Trevor Manuel Minister of Finance, South Africa, Mr Yoshio Yatsu, Chair Asian Forum on Population and Development, professor Devaki Jain, India, Mr Kuno Waki, UNFPA Depute Executive Director and Mr Timothy Wirth, President UN Foundation. The meeting was very well advertised and attendance was high with around 300 guests including Ms Mbeki, country delegates, UN and NGO representatives. Michael Meacher MP, UK Environment Minister attended the side event and was invited to make a short statement. Michael Meacher MP confirmed the UK's position and support for the ICPD PoA and reiterated the collaborative efforts within the EU on getting common agreement on wording for the WSSD outcome document on SRHR/Population issues.

At the tail end of negotiations at the WSSD, women's health and rights issues emerged as a bone of contention. The WSSD Plan of Implementation did not balance reference to national laws, and cultural and religious values with assurances of basic human rights for all, which opened the door to practices such as FGM, Forced marriages, Gang Rape and Honour Killings.

Delegates from Canada and the EU eventually succeeded in re-opening negotiations, ensuring human rights language to guarantee women's rights and especially their sexual and reproductive rights, were added to the document.

*Please find enclosed invitation to WSSD side event and extracts from panel speeches as appendix 76.*

*Please find enclosed the Parliamentary Declaration given to the WSSD Bureau as appendix 77.*

Christine McCafferty MP also participated in the IPU side event, where she managed to secure a line on SRHR in their statement.

*Please find enclosed the IPU declaration which was also handed in to the WSSD Bureau as appendix 78.*

***The final WSSD Plan on Implementation made reference to the ICPD PoA and ODA:***

***Paragraph 47 (j)***

*'Address effectively, for all individuals of appropriate age, the promotion of their healthy lives, including their reproductive and sexual health, consistent with the commitments and outcomes of recent UN Conferences and summits, including ICPD....'*

***Paragraph 79 (a)***

*'Make available the increased ODA commitments announced at the IC on FD. Urge the developed countries that have not done so to make concrete efforts towards the target of 0.7% GNP as ODA to developing countries...'*

During the WSSD the media covered the various sustainable development issues; however SRHR and population issues were rarely mentioned despite concerted efforts. In response to this Vice-Chair Richard Ottaway MP wrote a letter in the UK to 'the Times' editor, which was published.

*Please find enclosed letter to the Editor as appendix 79.*

At the WSSD in Johannesburg local 'news updates' covered the Population in Sustainable Development side event.

*Please find enclosed press release and an article in the ENB as appendix 80.*

Christine McCafferty MP prepared an article for the Parliamentary House Magazine to brief colleagues on the WSSD and specifically in relation to SRHR/Population and Sustainable Development issues.

The article quotes Christine McCafferty MP as saying: *'If sustainable development is to mean anything, people should be healthy enough to benefit from it and not have their lives cut off prematurely through a lack of choice'*.

*Please find enclosed article on WSSD and SRHR/Population in the House Magazine as appendix 81.*

**United Nations General Session on Children**

Christine McCafferty MP was a member of the panel at the IPPF's side event at the UN Children's Summit in New York, May 2002. The group also signed up to the IEPFPD Joint Regional Parliamentary Declaration: Respecting and protecting the sexual and reproductive rights of children.

*Please find enclosed declaration signed and Christine McCafferty MP's speech as appendix 82.*

As a result of a coalition of the Holy See, the US and several other UN member states the outcome document of the UNGASS did not make reference to expanded access to reproductive health services for adolescent, including information and education for adolescents.

**International Parliamentary Conference on the Implementation of ICPD PoA**

UNFPA and regional parliamentary fora representatives met in New York in December 2001 to organise the first bi-annual conference for Parliamentarians on the implementation of the ICPD PoA in Ottawa, November 2002.

103 elected representatives from 72 countries and territories attended the conference, which focused on the two themes: meeting the ICPD financial targets and creating an enabling environment for ICPD implementation at the national level.

5 UK MPs attended the conference namely: Christine McCafferty MP, Richard Ottaway MP, Tony Worthington MP, Dr Jenny Tonge MP, and Baroness Northover.

Christine McCafferty MP was on the conference drafting committee. Advisor was rapporteur for the reproductive health in Emergency Situations theme group.

Sally Keeble MP, UK Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for International Development was invited as a guest speaker to the conference.

Sally Keeble MP, DfID Advisors and group members met both formally and informally at the conference to discuss SRHR. A meeting was also organised between the British High Commissioner, Sally Keeble MP, DfID advisors and UK APPG on PD&RH conference participants.

The Ottawa Parliamentary conference updated Parliamentarians on SRHR financial and policy issues. A joint parliamentary commitment was signed.

*Please find enclosed the Ottawa Commitment as appendix 83.*

The Ottawa Commitment was circulated to all APPG on PD&RH members in December 2002 and made available at various Parliamentary meetings.

As part of the follow-up to the International Parliamentarians' Conference on the Implementation of the ICPD PoA, UNFPA has sent regular funding and policy newsletter updates to all UK APPG PD&RH members.

*Please find enclosed correspondence with Ms Obaid concerning the International Parliamentary Conference on the Implementation of the ICPD PoA as appendix 84.*

### **United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and Pacific**

The US and the UK both have ECOSOC status and are members of the ESCAP. Due to the US Administration and some right-wing Islamic countries anti-choice agenda, European APPGs on Population and Development, were mobilised to brief national Governments on SRHR for the UNESCAP meeting in Bangkok, December 2002.

The UK APPG on PD&RH corresponded with Sally Keeble MP, USS for ID and DfID Advisors both before and during the ESCAP conference. Sally Keeble MP, USS for ID subsequently decided to attend the ESCAP meeting and to bring a SRHR NGO representative on the UK delegation. Sally Keeble made a strong statement on UK's position on the ICPD PoA.

*Please find enclosed correspondence with Sally Keeble MP, USS for ID and her speech at ESCAP conference as appendix 85.*

Committee member Martyn Jones MP together with other IEPFPD members from Russia, Georgia, Armenia, Turkey, France, Netherland, Sweden and Ireland participated in the Parliamentary ESCAP side event, organised by the IAPPD.

Martyn Jones MP spoke on HIV/AIDS in Europe and presented the IEPFPD Declaration at the Parliamentary plenary session. The Declaration was read out at the ESCAP plenary by the IAPPD.

*Please find enclosed Martyn Jones MP's presentation and briefing notes for parliamentary side event as appendix 86.*

*Please find enclosed Parliamentary Declaration presented as appendix 87.*

The US delegation tried to change the language of the landmark 1994 ICPD PoA as expected by either deleting or mending all references to 'reproductive health services' and 'reproductive health' on the ground, that such words implied support for abortion.

The combined effort amongst NGOs, APPGs and Government delegations were crucial in ensuring that the Cairo PoA was no modified by the US Administration. The US lost vote to

exclude language on 'reproductive health' 31 -1 and the second vote over 'adolescent reproductive health' 32 -1. The final report reaffirmed the principles agreed at the ICPD PoA 1994.

Martyn Jones MP briefed committee members upon his return on the US delegation's attempt to undermine the ICPD PoA at the ESCAP conference. Members also received a written brief on the conference.

*Please find enclosed Martyn Jones MP's article on the ESCAP conference in the Asian Forum Newsletter as appendix 88.*

As a follow up to the ESCAP conference and to raise the issue of the US Administrations anti-choice agenda parliamentary questions was tabled in the HoC January 2003.

**Tony Worthington MP** asked the Secretary of State for International Development if she will make a statement on the outcome of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific meeting in Bangkok in December 2002.

**Ms Keeble:** *We are pleased with the outcome of the Fifth Asia and Pacific Population (ESCAP) Conference. The plan of action adopted at Bangkok represents a balanced, comprehensive and constructive framework for addressing reproductive health and poverty in the Asia/Pacific region and fully reaffirms the principles agreed at the 1994 Cairo International Conference on Population and Development. It will help the region to make progress on the millennium development goals especially maternal and infant mortality and tackling HIV/AIDS.*

*Please find enclosed partition (open letter) sent to President George W. Bush with regards to rolling back women's reproductive rights at ESCAP meeting, which the APPG on PD&RH signed up to, as appendix 89.*

### **Parliamentary Network on World Bank**

The World Bank Parliamentary Network organised its fourth annual conference in Athens 8 - 10 March, which was attended by 140 MPs from 67 countries. The IEPFPD and the APFPD jointly organised a special workshop on population and development.

Tony Worthington MP, Treasurer of the group and also a member of the PNoWB was a speaker at the meeting.

*Please find enclosed article in AFPPD newsletter on the population and development session at the PNoWB conference as appendix 90.*

## **ESTABLISHMENT OF OTHER COUNTRY APPGs ON PD &RH**

This year the group has exchanged information and supported the establishment of APPGs through e-mails, briefings and meetings.

At the ESCAP meeting in Bangkok in December 2002 committee member Martyn Jones MP discussed UK APPG on PD&RH work with Iranian MP, which resulted in Iranian MP requesting material on how to establish APPGs and organise group activities. Material was sent via e-mail.

At the European opposition meeting in February 2003 Share-net coordinator Hermen Ormel met with the group Advisor to discuss the establishment of a Dutch APPG on Population and Development. Material was e-mailed on rules and regulations on UK APPGs together with general UK APPG on PD&RH activities.

At the World Summit on Sustainable Development conference in August 2002, Christine McCafferty MP and group Advisor met with the newly established German APPG Secretariat to outline rules and regulations on establishing APPGs in the UK and discuss UK APPG activities. Discussions took place around a meeting between the UK APPG and the German APPG on Population and Development. It was eventually decided that the

Swish German speaking APPG would supported the German APPG due to the common language.

In the beginning of 2003 the group communicated with the newly officially established Spanish APPG. In February 2003 the Spanish Advisor Yolanda Iriarte visited the UK APPG and worked closed with the UK Advisor. The UK APPG group draft strategy and group rules and regulations were discussed. The Spanish Advisor also attended the parliamentary briefing meeting on Maternal to Child Transmission of HIV/AIDS with speakers from WHO and IPPF.

In May 2003 three UK MPs namely Robert Key MP (C), Martyn Jones MP (Lab) and Baroness Thomas (LD) visited the Spanish APPG Population and Development.

UK Group members presented UK APPG rules and regulations, the groups work in relation to the WSSD and protecting the ICPD PoA language and lobbying work in relation to UK conservative MEPs who challenged the EU and European Commission SRHR policies and budget lines. The UK and the Spanish group members also met with the Spanish Select Committee on International Development. An exchange visit is being organised for April 2004, where Spanish MPs will observer the UK Hearings.

*Please find enclosed the schedule for the UK group visit to the Spanish Parliament and presentations and briefings used as appendix 91*

### **APPG on PD&RH 2004 HEARINGS: INTEGRATING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND HIV/AIDS SERVICES**

The groups next Parliamentary Hearings are being prepared, which will consider the integration of Reproductive Health and HIV/AIDS services in the developing world.

The overall goals of the Hearings will be to stimulate political debate and action on the title theme. The Hearings will seek examples of where helpful integration of services has taken place and look for examples of where the search for integration of services will not be valuable. Recommendations will be made on future UK and International policy.

A steering committee has been established with representation from APPG on PD&RH and APPG on AIDS and advisors, SRHR NGOs and HIV/AIDS NGOs.

Steering committee members have held meetings with UNFPA and IPPF executive directors to plan and organise the Hearings, its literature searches and questionnaires.

The Hearings are planned for April 2004. The Hearing Report will be launched at the Ottawa +2 Parliamentary Meeting and the NGO ICPD+10 roundtable meeting in September 2004.

## **APPG PD&RH PUBLICATIONS**

### **Activity Reports**

Annual Activity Reports have been published for 1993/1994, 1994/1995, 1995/1996, 1996/1997, 1997/1998, 1998/1999, 1999/2000, 2000/2001 and 2001/2002.

*Please find enclosed responses to the APPG on PD&RH's Annual Report 2001/2002 as appendix 92.*

### **Hearings/Surveys/Reports**

European Agenda for Action on World Population  
Report of the European Parliamentarians Conference, London 1992

The Well-Spent Pound - an assessment of AID Agency priorities for population activities  
NGO Review 1993

Women's Rights and Sexual Health  
Report of Consultations held with agencies involved in women's issues, 1995

Implementing the Cairo ICPD 1994 Programme of Population, Reproductive Health and  
Development  
European Parliamentary Forum for Action Report, Brussels 1995

Report on Workshop "Working with Parliamentarians and Government Officials" London,  
March 1996

Development Strategies for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: the South-South Partnership in Population and  
Development  
Report of the Parliamentary Hearing March 1997

Taking Young People Seriously: Improving Sexual and Reproductive Health for the Next  
Generation  
Report of the Parliamentary Hearings held on 6 and 13 May 1998

Female Genital Mutilation  
Report of Parliamentary Hearing and Survey on FGM, May 2000

## **ACRONYMS**

ACPD – Action Canada for Population and Development  
AGM – Annual General Meeting  
AIDOS – Associazione Italiana Donne per lo Sviluppo  
AIDS – Auto-Immune Deficiency Syndrome  
APFPD – Asian Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development  
APPG – All Party Parliamentary Group  
APPG on PD&RH – All Party Parliamentary Group on Population, Development and Reproductive Health  
BMA – British Medical Association  
BWHAFS – Black Women’s Health and Family Support  
C – Conservative  
CFFC – Catholics for a Free Choice  
CFHRI – Catholic Family and Human Rights Institute  
CoE – Council of Europe  
DEFRA – Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs  
DfID – Department for International Development  
DfID SL – Department for International Development Select Committee  
Dr – Doctor  
EC – European Commission  
ECOSOC – The United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific  
EDM – Early Day Motions  
ESCAP/UNESCAP - The United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific  
EU – European Union  
EuroNGO – European Non Governmental Organisations  
FC – Female Circumcision  
FGM – Female Genital Mutilation  
Forward – Foundation for Women’s Health, Research and Development  
FPA – Family Planning Association  
GNP – Gross National Product  
HIV – Human Immune Virus  
HoC – House of Commons  
HoL – House of Lords  
ICPD PoA – International Conference on Population and Development Programme of Action  
IEPFPD – Inter-European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development  
IFH – International Family Health  
IPPF – International Planned Parenthood Federation  
L – Labour  
LD – Liberal Democrat  
LSHTM – London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine  
MDG – Millennium Development Goals  
MEP – Member of European Parliament  
MP – Member of Parliament  
MSI - Marie Stopes International  
MTCT – Maternal to Child Transmission of HIV  
NGO – Non Governmental Organisation  
PAI – Population Action International  
PGA – Parliamentarian for Global Action  
PMB – Private Members Bill  
PNoWB – Parliamentary Network on the World Bank  
PoA – Programme of Action  
PQ – Parliamentary Question  
RCN – Royal College of Nursing  
ACCM – Agency for Culture and Change Management  
SoA – Serjeant of Arms  
SPUC – The Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child  
SRHR – Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights

## **ACRONYMS cont.**

SS for ID – Secretary of State for International Development STIs – Sexual Transmitted Infections

STD – Sexually Transmitted Diseases

STI – Sexually Transmitted Infections

SWAP – Sector Wide Approach

TB – Tuberculosis

UICEMP – Member of Italian Family Planning Association

UK – United Kingdom

UK APPG on PD&RH – United Kingdom All-Party Parliamentary Group on Population, Development and Reproductive Health

UN – United Nations

UNFPA – United Nations Population Fund

UNGASS – United National General Assembly Special Session on Children

UNIFEM – United Nations Development Fund for Women US – United States of America

US – United States of America

USS for ID – Under-Secretary of State for International Development

WEDO – Women’s Environment and Development Organisation

WHO – World Health Organisation

WSSD – World Summit on Sustainable Development

XB – Cross Bench

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