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UN Farewells the Late Joseph Kabui



Dr. Badcock's last moments with the Late President Joseph Kabui

UNRC Dr. Jacqueline Badcock attended a moving funeral service for the late President of the Autonomous Bougainville Government, Honorable Joseph Kabui at the St Josephs Church on Tuesday 10 June and burial in Buka on Thursday 12 June 2008.

Mr Kabui met with Dr. Badcock on Thursday 5th June and discussed the role of the UN in Bougainville, and looked at ways in which the UN can further support the work of the Autonomous Bougainville Government. Mr Kabui's message to the UN was entirely future oriented—how the Autonomous Bougainville Government could be further strengthened to serve its people, and how the UN can help in this process.

UN Secretary-General, Ban Ki Moon also sent his condolences to the family of the late President and the people of Bougainville. "The late Mr Kabui enjoyed a long standing relationship with the UN Observer Mission to Bougainville and the political office that followed".

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 18-19

Inter Agency Disaster Simulation Exercise
Joint Initiative by OCHA/UNICEF

June 28

National Family Day

COMMON ADVOCACY CORNER

Each week a colleague from the UN family will talk to you on how the UN Country Team is contributing to Nation Building —
Tony Cameron—Chief Technical Advisor, Nation Building Project



Tony Cameron contributed to the Gender Buzz programme on the FM100 Radio Station this week. Tony caused a buzz by correcting the FM100 announcer, Kathleen, who called him "Tim Cameron." while on air. "Actually, I'm Tony but I'm often called by worse names ..." he quipped.

The programme touched on the detrimental effects of Gender Based Violence (GBV) in PNG society and how avoiding the issue of masculinities in GBV and changing dominant gender roles has only perpetuated the problem. The project is embarking on research into this issue with the view of identifying some programmatic entry points to challenge these root causes of violence.

Gender roles which might be challenged according to previous studies would include, domestic violence not being contained as just a family issue and the normalization of family violence should be checked, male dominance within the family is not helpful but males should rather be regarded as partners, use positive male role models in advocacy and awareness activities, challenge women's view that male dominance within family and society is acceptable, the gender equality concept should be "sold" and not "pushed" on a moral platform.

Men's Role in Sexual Reproductive Health



A training workshop on the role men play in Sexual Reproductive Health (SRH) was conducted in Mount Hagen from the 26-30 May 2008, with the objective of giving the participants an

overview of SRH worldwide with particular focus on Papua New Guinea.

The UNFPA funded workshop was a pilot project agreed to start in the Highlands region due to the cultural undertone in the area. The training was generally participatory. A lot of trainees had to come to terms with their values as some topics "challenged" established cultural norms. The workshop concluded with recommendations to extend training to other regions within the country and a call for closer participation within communities and community leaders, FBO and health workers in promoting SRH and safe motherhood.

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