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***Association for Gender and Sustainable Human Development
Empowerment - Cameroon***
To
CEDAW COMMITTEE
Geneva

OBJECT : List of issues on July 2013 pre session

Your honorables,

We are pleased to join our issues on those you already get, on the matter of implementation of the CEDAW convention in Cameroun State report.

We remain especially concerned at seven principals areas on the second part of the report as that follows :

1. In regard with **Legal status of the convention** 's State party response : **Is there** any provision in the Persons and Family project of law (civil code project) and in repressive adding law project, that penalize discrimination ? **If yes**, how is this set ?
2. Concerning **Remaining discriminatory provisions**'State party response : **How could** the State party improve women and men equality and protect fundamental women's rights if all appropriate texts are still in process of being drafted ? **Why** is this so long and **What** really is the major obstruction ?
3. In regard with a **National Machinery for the advancement of woman**'s State party response : **Why** do the Strategic Document DSCE adopted in 2010 limits women representativity to 30% till 2035 ? **Is that** a correct adaptation of Cedaw provisions ? And **How do** 9 women against 21 men in the National Commission of Human Rights and Freedom might have an influence to plan and successfully act for elimination of discrimination against women ?

4. Concerning **Political and participation in public life**'s State party response : **In how many** years do the State party plan to demand obligatory an equal rate that promote real gender equality as temporary special measures ?
5. Concerning **Employment** 's State party response: **How** could the State party persist in attributing only 31,7% of financing (PACD PME) to women in regard with women high rate of poverty ? **Why** not institutionalize equality as a mean to respect Cedaw provision ?
6. Concerning **Family life** 's State party response: **Why** does the modifications adopted in 2011 about the civil status Ordinance of 1981 maintained discriminatory provision against the freedom of employment of married women ?
7. Concerning the **Follow up to Beijing Declaration and Platform for action** 's State party response : **Why** does the progressive plan of equality indicators have fixed the focus rate for women participation in all matter in Cameroon to 30% as a plafond to reach in 2035, that means 40 years after the ratification of Cedaw ? **Is that** the deep sense of the B.Declaration ?

We, 10 members of AGSHDE will be honoured if you ask those questions to our Government representatives ;

Our team is mixed with men and women, as human rights educator, teachers, students and informal business owners.

Best Regards.

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