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Women and Armed Conflict

Numbers Speak

-  A woman chairs the national peace office, exercising oversight functions over 5 peace tables in the last 5 years
-  2 out of 5 of the GPH Panel in the Peace table with the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) are women; the Chair is a woman
-  2 young women under the age of 35 are heading secretariat and the legal team of the panel
-  3 out of 7 government members to the Bangsamoro Transmission Commission are women
-  2 out of 5 of the GPH panel in the peace talks with the Communist Party of the Phils./New People's Army/National Democratic Front are women
-  The Philippines is the first country in Asia to develop a National Action Plan to implement the UN Security Council Resolutions 1325 and 1820

Key Policies and Programs adopted

-  The Magna Carta of Women provides for the inclusion of women in all discussions and decision-making in the peace process
-  Creation of the National Steering Committee on Women, Peace and Security (NSCWPS) to implement the UN Security Council Resolution 1325 and 1820; and to implement and monitor the National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security (NAP WPS) formulated in 2010
-  PAMANA Program (Payapa at Masaganang Pamayanan/ Peaceful and Resilient Communities) extends development interventions to isolated, hard to reach and conflict affected communities using processes that are peace building and conflict sensitive
-  The Mindanao Peace and Development Framework Plan (2011-2030) explicitly promotes gender sensitive and gender balance in all development and social protection concerns

BPfA strategic objectives

- E.1. Increase the participation of women in conflict resolution at decision-making levels and protect women living in situations of armed and other conflicts or other foreign occupation
- E.2. Reduce excessive military expenditures and control the availability of armaments
- E.3. Promote non-violent forms of conflict resolution and reduce the incidence of human rights abuse in conflict situations
- E.4. Promote women's contribution to fostering a culture of peace
- E.5. Provide protection, assistance and training to refugee women, other displaced women in need of international protection and internally displaced women
- E.6. Provide assistance to the women of the colonies and non-self-governing territories