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Mission Statement:

The mission of the Cameroon Youths and Students Forum for Peace (CAMYOSFOP) is fostering moral and traditional values within the youth milieu.

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1. INTRODUCTION

CAMYOSFOP in 2016 recorded a number of successful activities stemming from sponsored and co-sponsored activities, participation in national events, international events and in the African Union Economic, Social and Cultural Council (ECOSOCC) events.

2. CAMYOSFOP SPONSORED ACTIVITIES

CAMYOSFOP sponsored activities most often are the Board Meeting and the Staff Retreat. The Board meeting and the Staff Retreat took place simultaneously chaired by the Board Chair, Professor Verkijika G. FANSO with the following recommendations:

1. CAMYOSFOP to keep track of their traditional funders and look into maintaining their partnerships in order to systematically shift from depending solely on sporadic funding.
2. CAMYOSFOP should come up with a funding track record and posted to the website for credibility and visibility.
3. Before every final submission of projects, the Board members must have had a copy for review, editing and eventually recommendations or referrals if deem necessary.
4. Immediately after the board meeting those in charge for the creation of a CAMYOSFOP radio will plan to meet to brainstorm on fruitful ideas.
5. CAMYOSFOP should rethink on the concept of organising a gala night party to raise funds for internal CAMYOSFOP activity.
6. Following the hacking of CAMYOSFOP website, it should be completely shut down, informing the public via a message that the website has been hacked and messages received do not go line with CAMYOSFOP 's vision and objectives, and that a new site will be opened in the shortest time possible.
7. Reviews of project should be done in order to capitalize on gaps and improve on future projects.
8. CAMYOSFOP should define or redefine her key areas of action then make sure all projects objectives are in line with these key Areas.

3. CAMYOSFOP CO-SPONSORED ACTIVITIES.

A.THE NATIONAL YOUTH CARAVAN AGAINST BOKO HARAM AND THE PROLIFIRATION OF ARMS

As part of the activities to launch the national youth day in Cameroon, CAMYOSFOP in partnership with the Ministry of Youth and Civic Education, Control Arms, Ecumenical Service for Peace (SeP), Women International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) and the National Commission on Human Rights and Freedoms (NCHRF) organized a National Youth Caravan to sensitize young people against Boko Haram and the proliferation of arms.

The event which brought together more than 500 young people, took place in Tiko in the South West Region of Cameroon on the 2nd of February 2016 under the theme “youths say stop to boko haram and the proliferation of arms to save lives.” It began with an opening remark from the Executive Director of CAMYOSFOP, Ngalim Eugene, followed by a talk from the Regional coordinator of National Commission for Human Rights and Freedoms, Chistopher Tambe Tiku. There were also other activities that marked the caravan such as a match for peace from the Tiko roundabout to the municipal stadium, patriotic statements against boko haram and the proliferation of arms and musical interlude with patriotic songs from artists.

Prior to the caravan was a press conference that held at the National Commission on Human Rights and Freedoms to sensitize the public against boko haram and the proliferation of arms. It brought together more than ten journalists from different media houses. There was also a radio talk at Chariot FM in Buea to inform the public on the caravan and to raise awareness against boko haram and the proliferation of small arms before the caravan proper in Tiko.

B. CONSULTATION ON THE MOBILIZATION AND SENSITIZATION OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON THE CREATION OF A NATIONAL INSTITUTION FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS (SALW) IN CAMEROON.

The consultations on the mobilization and sensitization of government officials on the creation of a national institution for the management and control of small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) in Cameroon was organized by RECSA in partnership with the Cameroon Youths and Students Forum for Peace (CAMYOSFOP). The workshop that was held at Tougou Hotel – Yaounde on the 12th May brought together government officials from key Ministries and Parliamentarians. The objective of the workshop was to mobilize and sensitize

government officials on the creation of a National Institution for the management and Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons in Cameroon

The workshop was characterized by presentations in plenary by key resource persons. Key items presented were;

- Presentation of the Kinshasa Convention on SALW for Central Africa;
- The Role of Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) in the adoption, ratification and implementation of the Kinshasa Convention on SALW in Central Africa;
- The Role of parliament in the ratification process and the implementation of International Treaties;
- The Creation of a National Institution for the Management and Control of SALW.

At the end of the workshop, participants were sensitized on the role of ECCAS, RECSA and Parliament in the adoption, ratification and implementation of the ATT and the Kinshasa Convention on SALW for Central Africa. Lastly participant formulated some recommendations to the Government that could accelerate the implementation process of the ATT

Some of the major recommendations reached at were;

1. Cameroon needs to step up her involvement at the sub national level to curb the proliferation of SALW which are constantly being used for terrorism and other war crimes
2. Ratify the Arms Trade Treaty and put in place measures to implement it
3. Set up a National commission on the control of SALW
4. Link the management of the national commission on SALW with an inter-ministerial committee
5. The commission should be created and hosted by the presidency of the republic

C. THE MOBILIZATION AND SENSITIZATION OF THE CIVIL SOCIETY ON THE ARMS TRADE TREATY (ATT):

The consultation on the mobilization and sensitization of the civil society on the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) in Cameroon organized by Cameroon Youths and Students Forum for Peace (CAMYOSFOP) in partnership with the Regional Centre on Small Arms in the Great Lake and the Horn of Africa (RECSA) is an African Union project funded by the European Union Commission and executed by RECSA. The workshop that was held at Tougou Hotel – Yaounde on the 13th May

2016 brought together participants from key civil society organizations working SALW in Cameroon

The workshop started with a series of remarks presented by CAMYOSFOP, RECSA and ECCAS followed by presentations in plenary on;

- a. International and Regional Instruments on SALW presented by Mr. Eric Kayiranga
- b. The Technical Role of Ministry of External Relations in the Ratification and Implementation of International Treaties: the case of Arms Trade Treaty: presented by Mr. Andela Jacques Joel
- c. The ATT and the Conference of State Parties (CSP): Process Perspective, presented by Mr. Guy Blaise Feugap
- d. Role of CSOs in the Campaign against SALW in Cameroon: The case of SeP by Mr. Ndi Richard and CAMYOSFOP by Mr. Charles Linjap.

The workshop ended with a vote of thanks from the representative of RECSA who expressed his gratitude to participants for their patience, active role played and contribution during the workshop and to Eugene for his commitment and efforts for making the workshop a success. Some of the recommendations reached at were;

- Cameroon should ratify the ATT;
- Revamp and restructure existing CSO networks on SALW;
- The CSOs should have a mastery of instrument that regulate the illicit proliferation and misuse of SALW;
- CSOs should be given the opportunity to initiate the process of ratification of international instrument on SALW in Cameroon;
- Undertake CSOs petition online which can use to show the government as CSOs position in the process.

D. LEGAL GAPS ASSESSMENT ON GENDER BASED VIOLENCE (GBV): CHARTING A NEW COURSE TO FIGHT GENDER BASED VIOLENCE IN CAMEROON

As part of activities towards the celebration of the International Women's Day on 8th March 2016, the Cameroon Youths and Students forum for Peace (CAMYOSFOP) in partnership with Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) organized a workshop under the theme: legal Gaps Assessment on gender Based Violence (GBV) : Charting a new course to fight Gender Based Violence in Cameroon. The event that was organized in Mbalmayo at Hotel le Relais Saint Andre from the 1st

to the 2nd of March brought together 20 participants selected from GBV networks including the National Youth Network on the Boys to Boys strategy on Ending Violence against Women (NAYONEB), National Network of Professional Communicators on GBV (NETCOM Gender), RENATA, Cameroon National Youth Council, Youth CSOs and MINPROFF.

The goal of the workshop was to ameliorate GBV situation in Cameroon by gathering inputs from civil society actors regarding legal gaps as a prerequisite to contributing to government efforts on reducing GBV. The workshop was characterized by presentations from key resource persons, group works, presentation in plenary and discussions and exchanges. At the end of the workshop, the capacity of participants were enhanced on existing instruments on ending GBV in Cameroon, the missing gaps in GBV were identified with recommendations addressed to policy makers and various stakeholders involved in GBV and a civil society common position on the completion, adoption and implementation of the family code was adopted for advocacy with stakeholders.

Some of the recommendations were as follows;

- Simplified information should be disseminated to the population through the media
- Civic education program should be intensified
- The State can promote probono lawyers through task exoneration after winning a certain number of probono cases
- Promoting good governance on gender sensitivity in the Justice System
- A separate workshop should be organised with focus on presenting the family code to participants.

4. CONSULTANCIES

CAMYOSFOP did the following consultancies in 2016:

1. Survey on domestic resource mobilization through toll gates in Cameroon funded by Investment Watch.
2. A study on the Contribution of Youth-Driven CSOs in Advancing the Istanbul Principles and Accountability (CPDE), funded by CPDE.
3. Appraising the Holistic Impact of Public-Private Blended Financing of Energy Projects on Women and Youths in Cameroon (ITUC).
4. Facilitating the campaign on the illegal migration in Cameroon (SMIC).

5. PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL EVENTS

No	PARTICIPANT NAME, VENUE AND DATE OF EVENT	PURPOSE OF EVENT	OUTCOME OF EVENT
1.	Interim working group Yaounde, 7th January 2016 <u>Participants:</u> Serge Nguiamba (Public relations officer)	Creation of a network of tax justice in Central Africa	Proposed an action plan for the network
2.	Training Workshop of CSOs on the use of AU instruments and the creation of National SOTU Platform by NDH Yaounde, 21-24 February 2016 Participant: Suwun Rita B. (Research and policy Development Officer)	To train the CSOs on the use of AU instrument and create the SOTU National Platform	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The My African Union Platform was created with CAMYOSFOP as member 2. The coordinator and regional focal points of the platform were elected and installed
3.	Fourth meeting of the interim working group Yaounde, 10 th March <u>Participant</u> Serge Nguiamba. P.R.O	Launch of the tax justice Network.	Amendment and adoption of the 2017-2020 action plan
4.	CSO validation workshop for the global partnership for effective development co-operation (GPEDC) monitoring round 2 by ADIN	1. To input on the data analysis on: indicator 1 on enabling environment of the civil society; and indicator 2 to the private sector participation to development and growth.	Cameroon's report on the GPEDC monitoring round 2 of the Busan Commitments is finalized and adopted.

	<p>Yaounde, 22 March 2016</p> <p><u>Participants:</u> NGALIM Eugene N (Executive Director) Charles Linjap (Senior Strategist)</p>		
5.	<p>Civil Society Awareness raising day on public financing Organised by MIFI Yaounde, 17-18 Avril 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> Serge Nguiamba P.R.O</p>	<p>To sensitize Civil Society on;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public financing - Reforms of Public Financing - Program budjeting 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Optimization of information systems of fluidity in civil society contributions. 2. Taking accounts of local authorities at the grass-root level.
6.	<p>Café genre- inter-generational dialogue Yaounde 13th May 2016</p> <p><u>Participant</u> Serge Nguiamba P.R.O</p>	<p>Establish a dialogue between old and young people for a better future</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Capitalise on the role of women in the African society -Create a forum for dialogue and a break with dictatorship by old people
7.	<p>Sensitization seminar on the African Court and African Commission on Human and Peoples Rights organized by Network of Cameroon Journalists for Pan African Institutions (RECIF)</p> <p>Yaounde, 30 June 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Sensitize the network and the civil society on the African Court and the Commission on Human and Peoples Rights. 3. Adopt an advocacy document for Cameroon to deposit her Declaration on Article 34 (b) of the Charter of the African Court to permit the civil society to submit statements to the court 	<p>An outcome document requesting for the government to deposit her declaration on Article 34 (b) was adopted.</p>

8.	<p>National civil society workshop on an institutionalized dialogue for the implementation of the SDGs in Cameroon, by Africa Development Interchange Network (ADIN)</p> <p>Yaounde, 21 July 2016</p> <p><u>Participants:</u> NGALIM Eugene N (Executive Director) Charles Linjap (Senior Strategist)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Support African CSOs and national governments to align national and regional responses to Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development in a way that promotes inclusion, integration and ownership (domestication); 2. Create and strengthen platforms for CSOs, policy makers and private sector to share experiences and solutions, enhance accountability and promote mutual learning; 3. Coordinate the generation and use of data to strengthen accountability and the African Implementation narrative; 4. Coordinate and leverage sub-national and national actions for regional and global impact; 5. Integrate the SDGs across goals and dimensions. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An outcome document with a monitoring and accountability framework of the SDGs by the Civil society is adopted. 2. A civil society charter on the creation of a civil society platform on the monitoring of the implementation and achievement of the SDGs is adopted. 3. The government is invited to consider the civil society in every process of the implementation of the SDGs.
9.	<p>Examine the annual report of the National Commission on Human Rights and Freedoms</p> <p>20th August 2016</p> <p><u>Participant</u> Serge Nguiamba P.R.O</p>	<p>Share the annual report of the commission with the civil society</p>	<p>-Accurately cite sources -Take into account all stakeholders.</p>
10.	<p>Sensitization campaign for civil society actors organized by SMIC and funded by the Belgian government to fight Clandestine migration of Cameroonians to Europe</p>	<p>Aimed at sensitizing and building the capacities of leaders of Civil Society Organizations on the dangers of clandestine migration, use of false documents and the benefits of using genuine travel documents to Europe.</p>	<p>Civil society organisations are sensitized on the dangers of using false travel documents and tasked to relay the information to their communities and local partners to reduce the number of illegal and clandestine migrants from the North West region.</p>

	<p>Bamenda, 18 August 2016</p> <p><u>Participants:</u> Christian SHOFOLA (Finance and Administrative assistant).</p>		
11.	<p>Working dinner offered by the regional representative of UN Women Central and West Africa visiting Cameroon. 15 Sept 2016. <u>Participant</u> SERGE NGUIAMBA (P.R.O).</p>	The implementation of UN Women 2014-2017 strategic action plan for Cameroon	<p>-Intensify the fight against gender based violence and the feminisation of HIV/AIDS -Strengthen the economic empowerment of women in vulnerable groups.</p>
12.	<p>Workshop on the Women's Situation Room by WILPF Yaounde, 21 Sept 2016</p> <p><u>Participants:</u> NGALIM Eugene N (Executive Director) Charles Linjap (Senior Strategist)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mobilize the public on the implementation of the UN Security Council Resolution 1325 and 1820 on the involvement of women and children in armed conflicts. 2. Put in place a framework known as the women situation room that will ensure the conduct of peaceful elections with the participation of women and youths in the process 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Participants are sensitized on Resolution 1325 and the state of implementation in Cameroon. 2. The platform to manage the women situation room is presented with CAMYOSFOP as one of the founding members.
13.	<p>HIV/Gender Focal Points workshop on positioning gender in the various sectorial plans on HIV for the achievement of 90 90 90 Objective by UN Women and the Ministry of Women Empowerment and the Family (MINPROFF)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Focal Points from key government ministries and the civil society brainstorm on the possibility of incorporating HIV/Gender in the various sectorial HIV Plans 	<p>An outcome report is adopted on the consideration of HIV/Gender in the various sectorial Plans by government ministries.</p>

	<p>Kribi, 27 – 29 Sept 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>		
14.	<p>Ladies Hour. 4th Oct 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> <u>Jato Jennette Kopceip</u> <u>Suwun Rita Beri</u></p>	<p>The Revised Penal Code of Cameroon, missing gaps and perspectives.</p>	<p>1.Excessive bride price should be defined 2.Measures to express rape between married couples 3. Women should study the revise penal code and speak-up when their violated</p>
15.	<p>The HeforShe University tour to Buea and Douala</p> <p>Buea, December 4 – 5, 2016</p> <p><u>Participants:</u> Christian SHOFOLA (Finance and Administrative assistant)</p>	<p>To sensitize students on the HeForShe project in Cameroon to get students sign on the official website and finally to create HeforShe clubs in the universities</p>	<p>Students are signed on the HeForShe website and HeForShe clubs are created in the PAID-WA university</p>
16.	<p>National Workshop on the Restitution of the Work of the Second High-Level Meeting of the Global Partnership for Development Effectiveness and the Presentation of the Nairobi Final Document on Inclusive Partnership for the Implementation of Agenda 2030 MINEPAT/ADIN</p> <p>Yaounde, 15</p>	<p>1. Share conclusions from the HLM2 on development effectiveness 2. Reflect on the national inclusive mechanism for the implementation and monitoring of international cooperation for development effectiveness in Cameroon 3. Reflect on the strategy of setting up an integrated</p>	<p>1. Key donors should be part of the meeting next time 2. Need to build a harmonise platform where those who work on GPEDC become members of the working group on SDGs 3. The private actors should organized themselves in order to be involved in the next HLM</p>

	<p>December 2016</p> <p><u>Participants:</u> Charles Linjap (Senior Strategist) Suwun Rita B. (Research and Policy Development Officer)</p>	<p>framework for financing sustainable development in Cameroon</p>	
17.	<p>National workshop on inclusive localization of the SDGs by UNDP.</p> <p>Yaounde, 19 - 20 Dec 2017</p> <p><u>Participants:</u> NGALIM Eugene N (Executive Director) Charles Linjap (Senior Strategist)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To contextualize and prioritize the SDGs to be localized in Cameroon. 2. Propose and agenda for the localization process of the SDGs 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An outcome document detailing the priorities, targets and timeline for the localization process of the SDGs is adopted. 2. A civil society platform for the implementation and localization of the SDGs is considered
18.	<p>Working session on the theory of change towards Plan International Strategic Action Plan for 2018 – 2022</p> <p>Yaounde, 22 Dec 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brainstorm and input on section on the promotion of the rights of children sensitive to gender in the Plan International 2018 – 2022 Strategic Action Plan 	<p>Inputs are made to the draft section on the promotion of the rights of the child in the Strategic Action Plan.</p>

6. PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

No	PARTICIPANT NAME, VENUE AND DATE OF EVENT	PURPOSE OF EVENT	OUTCOME OF EVENT
1.	<p>CPDE Global Youth Sector Coordination Meeting</p> <p>Manila, 13- 14th April 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> Suwun Rita B. (Research and Policy Development Officer)</p>	To gather the Youth Sector Coordination Committee to create the strategic action plan for 2016 and engage on emerging development processes such as the High Level Meeting.	<p>1. A strategic action plan for 2016 was developed and adopted</p> <p>2. All assignments given to member of the committee to be submitted by the end of November</p> <p>3. The acting global coordinator should hand over the coordinator ship to the next person by the end of December</p>
2.	<p>5th Pan African Summit of the Young Leaders of the UN.</p> <p>Libreville - Gabon 4 – 6 May 2016.</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	The summit was aimed at mobilizing young people towards curbing HIV/AIDS as a gateway to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):	The summit produced an advocacy outcome document for the mobilization of young people and governments towards an active participation in curbing HIV/AIDS and achieving the SDGs by 2030.
3.	<p>Strategic meetings with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.</p> <p>Malabo, Equatorial Guinea June 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	To participate in Strategic meetings on the campaign for the Chairperson of the African Union Commission by H.E. Agapito Mbah Mokuy, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Equatorial Guinea.	An action plan for the election of H.E. Agapito Mbah Mokuy was established on the mobilization of the youth, policy makers, the media and organs of the AU
4.	<p>28th African Union, Head of States</p>	Participated in the summit as part of the campaign team of H.E.	Because none of the three candidates for the election

	<p>Summit.</p> <p>Kigali, Rwanda 13 – 18 July 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	<p>Agapito Mbah Mokuy, Foreign Minister of Equatorial Guinea candidate for the position of the Chairperson of the African Union Commission but equally as ECOSOCC Representative to the Summit</p>	<p>could not get the required 2/3 majority of the votes, the election was postpone to the next AU Summit in January 2017.</p>
5.	<p>Civil Society Forum on the Conference of States Parties (CSP2) to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT).</p> <p>Geneva, Switzerland 21 August 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	<p>Briefing the civil society on the CSP and brainstorming on civil society participation in the CSP.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CSOs brainstorm on their participation in terms of advocacy of their governments in actively participating in the discussions. 2. The President of CSP2 briefed the participants on the expected outcome of CSP2.
6.	<p>CSP2</p> <p>Geneva, Switzerland 22 – 26 August 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reviewing the implementation of the ATT by State Parties; 2. Consider and adopt recommendations regarding the implementation and operation of the ATT, in particular the promotion of its universality. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Conference called on States Parties to meet their reporting obligations and associated deadlines. 2. The conference adopted a Voluntary Trust Fund (VTF) to facilitate implementation of the treaty by States Parties. 3. The conference recommended the need for the universalization of the ATT with additional efforts on ratification by non-state parties
7.	<p>2nd African Union Dialogue forum.</p> <p>Abuja 11-12 Nov, 2016</p> <p><u>Participant</u> Jato Jennett Kopceip Communication officer</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Define the role of religious leaders in advancing peace. 2. Establish a steering committee linking policy makers to religious leaders to promote inter-religious dialogue. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Election of steering committee members 2. A plan of action for religious and policy makers addressing key priorities in Africa.
8.	<p>Workshop on</p>	<p>Create an association to take care</p>	<p>-Create a legal framework of the</p>

	<p>Establishment of a network of associations of victims of terrorist acts. Addis-Ababa 17-18 November 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> Serge Nguiamba Public Relations and Fund Raising Officer</p>	<p>of victims of terrorist acts in Africa</p>	<p>network</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A network backed by the AU -Exchange of good practices.
9.	<p>Second High Level Meeting on the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (GPEDC)</p> <p>Nairobi, Kenya 27 Nov – 1 Dec 2016</p> <p><u>Participants:</u> NGALIM Eugene N (Executive Director) Charles Linjap (Senior Strategist) Suwun Rita Beri. (Research and Policy Development Officer)</p>	<p>The meeting aimed at drawing from previous lessons, discuss new and innovative ideas, and actualize specific actions aimed at advancing effective development cooperation within the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The series of meetings that CAMYOSFOP participated included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HLM Conference; • Women and Youth Forum; • CPDE Youth Sector side event; • Cameroon civil society/government side event; • Central Africa civil society side event 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The meetings culminated to sustained energy of mobilizing governments on the achievement of the SDGs through effective development cooperation. 2. Recognized the role of CSOs in advancing development effectiveness through poverty reduction, tackling inequality and progress towards the SDGs as CSOs commit themselves to the development of policy space and an enabling environment for the formation and operation of CSOs to ensure their full participation in development processes. 3. The meeting reiterated its commitment under the 2030 Agenda and Addis Ababa Action Agenda (AAA) to invest in the development of children and youth and considered an indicator on the evaluation of the youth in development effectiveness process.

7. PARTICIPATION IN THE AFRICAN UNION ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL COUNCIL (ECOSOCC) EVENTS

No	PARTICIPANT NAME, VENUE AND DATE OF EVENT	PURPOSE OF EVENT	OUTCOME OF EVENT
1.	ECOSOCC Standing Committee Extra – Ordinary Meeting. Lusaka – Zambia 13 – 15 April 2016 <u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Initiate the process of amending the status of ECOSOCC in accordance with the advice of the legal counsel and in fulfilment of the directives of the Assembly Decision 4 (XVII). 2. To define the structural requirements of a full fledge secretariat in Zambia 3. To discuss the interim arrangements as required 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Status of ECOSOCC amended pending validation by the Legal Counsel and STC. 2. Structural requirements defined by the government of Zambia. 3. Interim offices for the functioning of ECOSOCC visited and the peace of land of 10000hectares offered by the government for the constructions of permanent structures visited.
2.	Operationalization of the Economic Cluster of AU ECOSOCC Nairobi, Kenya, 1 – 4 June, 2016. <u>Participant:</u> Mr. Charles Linjap Senior Strategist	The launching of an operationalization of the Economic Affairs Cluster of the Economic Social and Cultural Council (ECOSOCC) of the African Union	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adoption of an action plan for the implementation of the activities of the cluster including monitoring the AU Agenda 2063 and the sustainable goals in all 54 African Union countries
3.	Working session with the ECOSOCC Secretariat and the Peace and Security Council Secretariat on the activities of the Peace and Security Cluster. Addis Ababa – Ethiopia 15 – 17 Sept 2016	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discuss modalities for the organization of an ECOSOCC Civil Society Exhibition on maritime security prior to the Maritime Security Summit in Lome – Togo , in October 10, 2016 and organization of the civil society forum on the operationalization of Livingstone Formula and adoption of CSOs action plan on Silencing the Guns prior to the PSC Retreat in Lusaka, Zambia 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Working session with the Secretariat of PSC held and modalities for the organization of the exhibition and the civil society forum on the operationalization of the Livingstone Formula and the adoption of the civil society action plan on Silencing the guns defined. 2. Planning on the organization of the

	<p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	<p>2. Finalise the planning of the ECOSOCC CSOs exhibition on maritime security and civil society forum on the operationalization of the Livingstone Formula on the involvement of the civil society in issues of peace, security and the stability of Africa</p>	<p>exhibition on civil society contribution to maritime security and the civil society forum on the operationalization of the Livingstone Formula and an adoption of an action plan on silencing the guns is finalized.</p>
4	<p>AU Extra – Ordinary Summit on Maritime Security</p> <p>Lome – Togo 15 October, 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	<p>1. Represent the ECOSOCC Peace and Security Cluster. 2. Participate in discussion to adopt a charter on maritime security in Africa</p>	<p>1. A charter on maritime security is adopted by member states of the African Union.</p>
5.	<p>Workshop on 10 years of Post Conflict, Reconstruction and Development Policy (PCRD) Implementation</p> <p>Addis Ababa – Ethiopia 19 – 21 Oct, 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	<p>3. Reflect on the Progress, Opportunities and Challenges of the AU PCRD Policy implementation to date. 4. Discuss in-depth the six pillars of the AU PCRD Policy namely: Security; Humanitarian/emergency assistance; Political governance and transition; Socio-economic reconstruction and development; Human rights, justice and reconciliation; Woman and Gender, and propose way forward on PCRD policy.</p>	<p>3. Far reaching outcomes including the full involvement of ECOSOCC in every activity of the PCRD</p>
6.	<p>ECOSOCC Civil Society Forum on the Operationalization of the Livingstone Formula and</p>	<p>1. To operationalize and sustain the Livingstone Formula within ECOSOCC; ensuring ECOSOCC formally assumes its assigned role of coordinating African civil</p>	<p>1. The Livingstone Formula is fully operationalized with ECOSOCC taking the lead in the implementation of the mechanism;</p>

	<p>adoption of CSOs action plan on Silencing the guns.</p> <p>Lusaka – Zambia 3 – 5 Nov, 2016</p> <p><u>Participants:</u> Prof Verkijika G. Fanzo Board Chairperson of CAMYOSFOP</p> <p>NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	<p>society on issues of Peace and Security within the Union.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To critically examine the Livingstone Formula and the role of the civil society in the implementation and to propose a functional mechanism for the effective roll- out of the Formula To adopt a work plan on Silencing the Guns in Africa by 2020. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Participants’ knowledge on the mechanism is enhanced; A work plan, recommendations, resolutions and mechanisms of civil society contribution to issues of peace and security in the continent. Three year action plan on the implementation of the Silencing the Guns by 2020 is adopted
7.	<p>Peace and Security Council (PSC) Retreat on Silencing the Guns.</p> <p>Lusaka – Zambia 7 – 9 Nov, 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Adopt a three year road map for the implementation of Silencing the Guns in Africa by 2020. Represent ECOSOCC and provide ECOSOCC contributions from the civil society forum on the operationalization of the Livingstone Formula and the adoption of a three year civil society action plan on silencing the guns by 2020 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> A three year road map on silencing the guns by 2020 is adopted including the CSO Annual meetings to organize by ECOSOCC and PSC to hold in the side lines of PSC Retreats.
8.	<p>Standing Committee Meeting of ECOSOCC</p> <p>Nairobi – Kenya 17 – 19 Nov 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To provide guidance on the preparations for the General Assembly meeting; Consider priority activities for the ECOSOC during the last trimester of 2016; Finalize arrangements for the election of new members in the General Assembly; Examine the ECOSOCC Strategic Plan 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Priority activities and guidance for the preparations of the General Assembly is considered for March 2017. Arrangements for elections of new members are finalized with elections built for December 2017. ECOSOCC strategic action plan is considered
9.	<p>International Symposium and Dialogue on 10 years of the African Court</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Commemorate the 10th anniversary of the operationalization of the African Court on Human and 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> A ten year comprehensive action and implementation plan on the promotion and

	<p>on Human and Peoples Rights.</p> <p>Arusha – Tanzania 21 – 27 Nov 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N</p>	<p>Peoples Rights;</p> <p>2. Discuss the situation of human rights, including strategies to enhance the promotion, protection and the enjoyment of human and people’s rights in Africa</p>	<p>protection of human and people’s rights is adopted.</p> <p>2. Member states renewed commitment to implement recommendations, decisions and judgments of human rights treaty bodies, and to comply with their treaty obligations</p>
10	<p>African Centre for the Study and Research on Terrorism (ACSRT) 10th Focal Points Meeting.</p> <p>Algiers – Algeria 14 – 16, Dec 2016</p> <p><u>Participant:</u> NGALIM Eugene N Executive Director</p>	<p>1. The meeting aimed at reviewing the implementation of the recommendations of the previous meetings as well as the discussion on the ACSRT Strategic Action Plan, current and evolving terrorist threat situation and response measures, briefs and country perspectives from Focal Point.</p> <p>2. Discussion on the harmonization of National Security Architecture with Counter-Terrorism and PCVE structures, presentations by representatives of partner institutions/organizations on international perspectives and opportunities for cooperation and capacity building in PCVE and CT.</p>	<p>1. ECOSOCC was recognized in the final report of the meeting and ACSRT ready to collaborate with ECOSOCC countering violent extremism and terrorism in the continent.</p> <p>2. Participants of the meeting reiterated their commitment to collaborating with the Centre in countering PCVE and terrorism in the continent by harmonizing their National Strategic Action Plans and forging for innovative ways of ending this scourge.</p>

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