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KNOWN ACTIVITIES FOR INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENTS FOR 2009/10 FINANCIAL YEAR – DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

AUGUST				
Activities	Date	Benefits to Department	Participants	Source of Funding
Visit by Namibian delegates	24-28 August 2009	Study tour by the Ministry of Health and Social Services by the Government of Namibia to focus on the training of Social Auxiliary Workers	Officials and other stake-holders	The Department will provide refreshments
Inter-Departmental Liaison Committee (IDLC) Meeting.	18 August 2009	To effectively prepare logistical and policy support for the South African principals and in preparation for the 29th Ordinary SADC Heads of State Summit	International Relations	Department
Consultative Forum on International Relations	25 August 2009	Meeting of the Consultative Forum on International Relations	Mr. E Ramaite	Department
African Commission on Human and Peoples'	26-28 August 2009	Expert Seminar on the Rights of Older Persons and People with Disabilities in Africa from West Africa	NGO's	ACHPR

Rights(ACHPR) 7th Forum of Ministers of Social Development for Latin America and the Caribbean	27-29 August 2009	Policy-makers, researchers, and civil society actors will share their experiences and mutual practices in order to, notably, develop proposals to strengthen regional cooperation and promote the contribution of regional social science research institutes in the development of public development policies.	Former Minister Skweyiya as Chair of MOST	UNESCO
Workshop on Justice for Children at Burgers Park Hotel, Pretoria	18-19 August 2009	Develop probation practice guidelines in partnership with UNICEF	Officials	UNICEF
Eastern and Southern Regional Meeting on Justice for Children in Lilongwe, Malawi	24-27 August 2009	The meeting will focus on achieving a common understanding amongst Government stakeholders on Justice for Children and its importance to fulfill their obligations under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) and the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child (ACRWC).	Mr.S. Maselesele Mr. M. Mqoci (TBC)	UNICEF

Charity Commission meeting with the Department	19 August 2009	To have an insight on what they do and also with a view of possible co-operation	NPO Chief-Directorate	Department
Meeting with ISS in Geneva	21-26 August 2009	To address ISSA- Liaison Office contractual obligations and finalise issues relating to aspects of the World Social Security Forum to be held in Cape Town	Director-General and Delegation	Department
SEPTEMBER				
The UN General Assembly Debate on ICPD+15 in New York.	September 2009	This a meeting that will focus on ICPD+15	The Deputy Minister or DG with a supportive Senior Manager	Department

OCTOBER				
Gender Budgeting Training: Turin - Italy	26-30 October 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender Budgeting Skills acquired • Gender Budgeting Audit Skills obtained • Gender Responsive Budgets allocated • Engendered MTEF Process • Equitable allocation of resources 	Official	UNIFEM and National Department of Social Development
Invitation to attend the technical Seminar in Paris, France	1-2 October 2009	Technical Seminar addressing "which retirement systems and which reforms for which pension" organised by the International Social Security Association	Officials	Department
Participation in group training course Web-Based contents Management systems	1-31 October 2009	The experience that will be gained by officials will assist the Department to manage and process its information better and make easier to manage, create, edits and publish content.	Mr. K Maphosa Mr. W Ngobeni	Japan International Agency will cover Accommodation and Travel Cost, while the Department will Upgrade flight tickets and provide S&T

NOVEMBER				
UNCPD Intercessional Bureau Meeting.	November 2009	This meeting is aimed at planning for the next session.	Senior officials	Chief Directorate P+D
PPD Forum and Board Meeting, in China.	November 2009	This is an annual meeting that South Africa must attend as a member of PPD.	Minister and delegation	Chief Directorate P+D
Invitation for bilateral visit for Minister in China	November 2009	To Formalise Bilateral relations	Minister and delegations	Department to fund traveling and allowances and China to fund accommodation and ground transport
DECEMBER				

JANUARY				

FEBRUARY				
54 th Session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women – New York: United States of America	End Feb – Mid-March 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adherence to reporting obligations on regional and international commitments • Best practice models • Gender Mainstreaming • Lessons to be learnt and drawn from other participants of the UNCSW 	Senior officials	National Department of Social Development
Commission for Social		NEPAD and the situation of	Senior officials	

Development, New York		vulnerable groups		
MARCH				
UN Population and Development Commission		Population and Development	Senior officials	
APRIL				