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### Overview on Study Tours to be organised in the framework of the project

(provisional plan, to be reviewed during the implementation phase of the project following the results of the comparative studies of different Study Tours and of the methodology concept for the selection of participants, the decision on agenda, content and sustainability of results in agreement with the Liberian Parliament) (*updated: 10 May 2006*)

	Thematic field 1	key topics	thematic field 2	key topics	place	time
1	Information on EC institutions, meetings with EC Representatives, Meeting with German Politicians, Staff And Political Party Representatives	Visitors services, information of parliament on it's work , the European Council, the European Commission, working procedures, other Organizations related to Liberia, Relations to Liberia Meetings with political representatives on different level (federal, state & LGs) in Germany, diff. govt. institutions,	Structures, procedures, administrative services in the parliament Role of certain govt. institutions like Budget office, Political Party Structures and their work on different levels	rules of procedures, committees, structure of parliamentary administration, services to MPs, committees and plenary, structure of political parties and their work	Brussels  Germany Cologne  Duesseldorf  Berlin	Month 13
2	Parliament in Luxembourg,  Role of some International and German Organizations with special relation to Liberia  State Parliament in Hamburg	Information on Parliament and its work,  Their work, procedures and spec. relationship to Liberia  Their spec. organization and procedures	Structures and procedures  Maritime Law and Affairs, Alphabetization Adult Education, Health Policy,  Structure and Procedure	Rules of procedures, committees  Workshops with representatives from these organizations, possible linking and possible further cooperation, background knowledge for work in committees  Rules and procedures, meeting with pol. Parties (role of opposition)	Luxembourg          Hamburg	month 14
3	Development of structured co-operation with other Parliaments  Workshop on Post-Conflict Governance Issues	capacity building, long-term and sustainable partnerships on exchange of experiences and further assistance in capacity building  Regional, national and Human Rights causes for conflict and Peaceful conflict-management	Possible ways for cooperation  Strategies of Peaceful Conflict management	Partnership with Ghanaian Parliament  Strengthening rule of Law, Involvement of civic structures	Accra       Accra Kofi Annan Centre	Month 15
4	Role of the Parliament in oversight of the executive	Inquiry rights of MPs and Parliament, access to information at government institutions and department, ad-hoc commissions and investigatory commissions,	Role in policy development	choice of political personnel by parties, selection and qualification of staff of parliament, organisation of open legislative process, role of	England	month 17

	Role of Parliament in the Reconciliation Process	petitions of citizens, exercise of state budget decision and control rights  Background knowledge for members of the committees on Reconciliation, Meeting with civic groups operating in the reconciliation field Experiences made and lessons learned	Role of Parliament and possible intervention in The Reconciliation Process	external experts and public consultation, scientific services for MPs and staff of committee  Reconciliation Process and its different facets	<b>N-Ireland</b>	
<b>5</b>	Workshops and Working Sessions with Govt. on the Reconciliation Process  SA Parliament Workshop	Experiences made during the Reconciliation Process in South Africa in Workshops and Working Sessions with representatives from govt. and other (church etc) bodies  Inquiry rights, investigatory ad-hoc commissions, petitions of citizens, access to information at govt. institutions	Background knowledge for members of the Committees on Reconciliation  In view of a number of expected dismissals from office in Liberia	Possible adaptations to the Liberian situation  Giving background knowledge to a political situation which might play an important role in the near future of the country	<b>Pretoria Jo'burg Cape Town</b>	
<b>6</b>	Workshops with Representatives from Govt. who are involved in the Reconciliation Process  Workshop with Rwandan Lawmakers  Information and Experience made on the Work of the UN Tribunal	Experiences made with the reconciliation process in Rwanda, problems and prospects of the Judiciary, role of Parliament in the process, Meetings with civic groups (villagers) in which a village court has taken action or is acting  Presence of MPs in their respective constituencies, role of public discussions in the constituencies, access of citizens to their MP  Most likely an UN Tribunal will be set up in Liberia. This will also effect a number of Lawmakers (former warlords). This absolutely needs capacity building amongst the lawmakers	Adaptations to the Liberian situation  Relationship Parliament and Civic Society  Relationship of Parliament, the Public and the work of the Tribunal	Providing the necessary background knowledge for the lawmakers who in the near future will be confronted with this issue  Contacts with citizens as source of information and Its impact in the legislative process  Suggestions may mainly come from the TRC but they are not involved in the legislative process	<b>Kigali</b>          <b>Arusha</b>	