



Programme Diamonds Tour 30/10-12/11-2010

Participants:

- *Shamiso Mtisi, Head of Research, Zimbabwe Environmental Law Association*
- *Sure Kasenye, Finance Office, Centre for Research and Development*
- *Tor-Hugne Olsen, Coordinator, Zimbabwe Europe Network*

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Saturday 30 October 2010

Jerusalem

0845 hours: Workshop on the Mechanisation of Artisanal Diamond Mining, organised by the Diamond Development Initiative (DDI), American Colonies Hotel
1800 hours: First formal meeting of the KP NGO Coalition
2000 hours: Informal dinner with the USA and Canada delegations

Sunday 31 October 2010

Jerusalem

0845 hours: Continuation of DDI Workshop, Hotel American Colony
1050 hours: Full KP NGO Coalition meeting preparing the meeting with the Chair of the KP
1200 hours: Meeting between KP NGP Coalition with the Chair of the Kimberley Process: Boaz Hirsch, as well as Yariv Bechel and Netta Bar-El from the Israeli Presidency
1410 hours: Strategy meeting of the KP NGO Coalition, Park Hotel
1830 hours: KP NGO Coalition meeting with the World Diamond Council
1930 hours: KP NGO Coalition meeting with the South African delegation
2000 hours: First meeting between Shamiso Mtisi and the KP Monitor for Zimbabwe Abbey Chikane

Monday 1 – Thursday 4 November 2010

Jerusalem

Kimberley Process Plenary, International Conference Centre, Jerusalem.

Programme: <http://kimberleyconference.com/Default.aspx?PageName=Plenary+Meeting+1-4+Nov+2010>

List of side meetings / lobbying / informal talks / interviews during the plenary:

Monday 1 November 2010

Jerusalem

0800 hours: KP NGO Coalition meeting with the Canadian delegation
1130 hours: First informal talk with the “alternative civil society representative” Mr. Joshua Murufu
1300 hours: Meeting with Anniken Enersen, Head of Norwegian delegation
1600 hours: Interview Mighty Media (ZBC), Shamiso Mtisi
1900 hours: Informal meeting with Dr Louise Coney, Mintek (part of the South African delegation)
2000 hours: Informal meeting Nobert Steilen, Technical Attache, World Customs Organisation

Tuesday 2 November

Jerusalem

0730 hours: KP Coalition joint strategy breakfast
1100 hours: Interview Israeli Diamond Industry magazine Yahalom, Shamiso Mtisi
1300 hours: Informal talks with Mark van Bockstael, Chief Officer, International Affairs and Freddie Hanard, Chief Executive Officer, Antwerp World Diamond Centre
1430 hours: Informal talks with Seth Klaye, Head of Ghana delegation and member of the Zimbabwe review mission
1500 hours: Interview Voice of America, Shamiso (and there were further interviews every day)
1600 hours: Strategy meeting with Global Witness and PAC on first drafts of Zimbabwe proposal
1900 hours: Informal discussion with Shmuel Schnitzer, Hon President, Israeli Diamond Exchange
2000 hours: Informal discussions with Ronnie Van der Linden, Vice President, CFO, Diamond Manufacturers and Importers Association of America

Wednesday 3 November

Jerusalem

0730 hours: KP Coalition joint strategy breakfast
1100 hours: Informal talks with Mines Minister Mpofu
1300 hours: Interview Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, Sure Kasenye / Shamiso Mtisi
2000 hours: Discussions within the KP NGO Coalition ahead of the US presenting a first draft agreement on Zimbabwe to the more concerned partners
2100 hours: Meeting between more concerned partners (Canada, Australia, the EU and civil society) and the USA to discuss document
2230 hours: Informal talks with John Hall, General Manager External Relations, Rio Tinto and Andrew Bone, Director-International Relations, De Beers

Thursday 4 November 2010

Jerusalem

1000 hours: Meetings with industry, Andrew Bone, Director-International Relations, De Beers
1200 hours: Informal talks with Ilan Cohan, Netherlands delegation
1400 hours: Meeting with the World Diamond Council, Simon Gilbert and Andrew Bone to formally introduce the Local Focal Point
1500 hours: Evaluation of trip Tor / Sure
2100 hours: Dinner with Martin Rapaport, Executive Director, Rapaport Group

Friday 5/Saturday 6 November 2010

Travel to Brussels

Sunday 7 November 2010

Brussels-Amsterdam

2030 hours: Preparatory dinner with Hugo Knoppert, Coordinator Zimbabwe Watch / Director ZEN for Dutch leg of the trip

Monday 8 November 2010

Amsterdam/The Hague

1000 hours: Meeting with Oxfam Novib, Marleen Nolten and Denise Parmentier

1130 hours: Meeting with the Foreign Ministry, Zimbabwe desk officer Marloes Geelen and KP responsible in the Africa department Yvonne Wilmer

1500 hours: Meeting at SOMO, Amsterdam, Tim Steinweg, researcher and Edith de Haan

1900 hours: Public meeting on Zimbabwe and Diamonds, Leiden University,

<http://www.zimbabwewatch.org/dut/Nieuws/2010/ZW-Debat-Diamonds-are-Mugabe-s-new-best-friend>

Tuesday 9 November 2010

Antwerp / Brussels

0900 hours: Guest of the Antwerp World Diamond Centre, Mark Van Bockstael, Chief Officer International Affairs

1530 hours: Meeting Belgian Foreign Ministry, Karla Baslinger, EITI and KP Responsible and Annick de Smedt, desk officer Zimbabwe

1700 hours: Meeting with Alain Cadec, MEP (EPP, France)

1830 hours: *Zimbabwe's Blood Diamonds* as a film of the week at the Cine Club, Mundo B

Debate with local and European civil society actors with introduction by Geoffrey van Orden MEP (ECR UK) and Shamiso Mtisi,

<http://www.zimbabweurope.org/sites/default/files/InvitationBlooddiamondsBrussels.pdf>

Informal discussion including with Nele Gulinck of Max Havelaar, who has stayed in Zimbabwe and proposed future cooperation

Wednesday 10 November 2010

Brussels/Bonn

1030 hours: Meeting with the EU Commission, Mr. Roger Matthews from the KP Secretariat and Ms. Isabelle Richard, desk officer Zimbabwe, DG Development.

1630 hours: Public meeting at BICC together with Fatal Transactions and BICC,

http://www.zimbabweurope.org/sites/default/files/Invitation_Expert_Talk_1110.pdf

1900 hours: Informal talks with Simone Knapp, project officer, Ecumenical Service for Advocacy work on Southern Africa (KASA) and representatives from other NGOs including Brot Fuer die Welt and Medico

2000 hours: Dinner with Marie Mueller, diamonds responsible Fatal Transactions, Ian Smillie, Chair, Diamonds Development Initiative and Lutz Naumann, Project Director, Resource management, German Technical Cooperation, GTZ and Kristian Lempa, Planning Officer, Natural Resource Governance, German Technical Cooperation, GTZ

Thursday 11 November 2010

Berlin

1100 hours: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Martina Wurm-Dittkrist, Desk Officer Zimbabwe and Udo Theil, International Energy and Commodity Policy Departement

1300 hours: Public NGO lunch Crisis Action Director Susanne Baumann, Wolfgang Buttner, Coordinator, Human Rights Watch, Berlin Office and Denise Dittrich, Africa Responsible, Friedrich Naumann Foundation

1500 hours: Evaluation Tor and Shamiso