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### **QUESTIONS TO ASK UNWOMEN LOCAL/NATIONAL/REGIONAL OFFICE IN YOUR COUNTRY:**

Over a year ago the UNWOMEN promised to open space for grassroots women in their consultative and operational processes. The questionnaire below should be used to assess whether or not UNWOMEN is fulfilling these promises. We are particularly concerned about process – it is important to know how UNWOMEN is coming to decisions around its priorities, policies it promotes and actions it takes.

We are thus requesting that, in preparation for your attendance at the CSW, you fill out the questionnaire below. If you do not know the answers, we are requesting that you contact the UN Women Office in your country (see list of contacts attached) to complete the questionnaire through an in office visit/call.

The results of the questionnaires will be presented to UN Women during the CSW. This is a key time to actually take leadership in evaluating and monitoring how UN Women is developing and we thank you for taking the time to do so.

1. Have you had any contact with the UN Women's office in your country/region? If

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you visited the office and/or spoke with them on phone, was the office willing to speak with you? Who did you meet/speak with? How was the overall tone of the meeting/call?

2. What are the main programs the UN Women's Office is currently undertaking? With whom? What are the stated desired outcomes of the programmes?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Have grassroots women been consulted in the design of the programs? Are they participating in the programs? How? In which ones? Is UNWOMEN encouraging partnerships between grassroots women and civil society?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What are the policies that UNWOMEN have engaged in in your country? How is this carried out - public awareness, advocacy, other? Who do they partner with? How are their priorities regarding policies determined?



5. What structure has been or will be put in to place for advisement by civil society and others? Give details if something has happened or will happen.
  
6. What kind of grants has the UNWOMEN office made? For what activities/purpose? How are grants determined? Do they publically announce them?
  
7. How do they disseminate information on their work, priorities, etc?



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