NETWORK OF AFRICAN PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES ON HEALTH (NEAPACOH)

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Country presentation on the implementation of country specific actions made during the NEAPACOH meeting 2013

Country: Ghana
Presented by: Hon. Della Sowah, Deputy Minister for Gender, Children and Social Protection and Member of Parliament
For each of the specific action you committed yourself to undertake during the 2013 NEAPACOH meeting, please follow the outline provided below.

• Country Specific-action 1: Create a specific budget line for family Planning
  
  **Progress towards implementation**
  - Ministry of Health provided a specific budget line for family planning
  
  **Challenges**
  - The Budget for FP was subsumed under the Budget for Reproductive Health Division
  
  **Lessons learned**
  - Strengthen monitoring to ensure results are achieved

Country Specific-action 2: Reduce Maternal mortality rate

  **Progress towards implementation**
  - The Institutional Data shows a decline in from 154.6 in 2013 to 149.9 (Jan and June, 2014). Ref Ghana Holistic Assessment

  **Challenges**
  - The Ghana Demographic and Health Survey was delayed

  **Lessons learned**
  - The free maternal health policy contributed immensely to this success
Country: ____________________________

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<td>To improve FP</td>
<td>1. Follow-up the Ghana Health Service/Min. of Health’s training plan on FP</td>
<td>Parliament, Minister of State responsible for Social and Allied Institutions and Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection</td>
<td>$4000</td>
<td>October, 2014 to August, 2015</td>
<td>The Committee on Health would monitor the implementation of the programme</td>
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<td>for community health nurses.</td>
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<td>The Minister of State would conduct follow-ups to</td>
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<td>2. Monitor the implementation of the Training</td>
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