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Interactive Expert Panel 4

**The equal sharing of responsibilities between women and men,
including caregiving in the context of HIV/AIDS**

**Focus: Gender norms and stereotypes, socialization and unequal power relations
Sharing and balancing life-work responsibilities**

Tuesday, 12 March 2013, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Panellists

Ms. Fatou Sow Sarr is a lecturer at the University Cheikh Anta Diop in Senegal where she directs the Gender and Scientific Research Laboratory. The laboratory has played an important role in the formulation and adoption of the parity law in Senegal and in bringing together women from all political parties to form the Caucus of Women Leaders. The laboratory has produced a film and published a compendium of baseline indicators on gender inequality. Ms. Fatou Sarr holds a Ph.D. in anthropology and sociology and in social work, a Masters in economics and a higher degree in environment studies. She is the author of several publications on gender issues in Senegal including comics for the youngest. On behalf of UN agencies (UNFPA, UNICEF, UNDP, UN Women), she has supported over fifteen African countries in gender training and in formulation and evaluation of gender equality programmes.

Mr. Warren Feek is Executive Director of The Communication Initiative (commenced in 1999), a partnership of 26 development organizations seeking to support people and organisations using communication strategies to address development issues. The major activities include, among others, a network of development communicators, a knowledge website of programme experiences, strategic thinking and evaluation of results, summaries of one million individual user sessions over the past 12 months, and electronic magazines. Previously, Mr. Feek has worked in lead roles at UNICEF HQ in New York and The Commonwealth Secretariat. He graduated from and did post-graduate work in political science and sociology at Victoria University in Wellington, New Zealand.

Mr. Niclas Järnklo is a Ph. D. candidate at Stockholm University and secretary in the Inquiry on Men and Gender Equality at the Ministry of Education and Research in Sweden. His research focuses on norms for masculinity and policies for engaging men in gender equality. Mr. Järnklo works within the academic field of masculinity studies and have contributed to *NORMA: Nordic Journal for Masculinity Studies* as well as other Scandinavian journals on gender. His forthcoming doctoral thesis; *The New Man: State Masculinity Politics in Sweden* will be published later in 2013. In the autumn of 2013, Mr. Järnklo and the Inquiry on Men and Gender Equality will present a Swedish Government Official Report on the changing roles of men in Sweden.

Ms. Lucia Zachariášová is head of the Gender Equality Unit of the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs in the Czech Republic, where she is responsible for preparation of conceptual and strategic documents of the government in the area of gender equality. She is secretary of the Government Council for Equal Opportunities of Women and Men and its Committee for Reconciliation of Working, Private and Family Life –advisory bodies of the government – and she is an alternate member of the Management Board of the European Institute for Gender Equality. Ms. Zachariášová is also a member of the Committee for Sexual Minorities of the Government Council for Human Rights.