SEXUAL HARASSMENT & SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE



INTRODUCTION



- UN Women works diligently to end sexual and gender-based violence. This work is a fundamental pillar of UN Women's mission.
- In line with the new approach announced by the Secretary General, UN Women endeavors to place the right and dignity of victims at the forefront of its response efforts.
- UN Women will continue to implement its zero tolerance policy and will take all necessary actions that are within its purview.

SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE

Secretary-General's Bulletin on "Special measures for protection from sexual exploitation and sexual abuse" (ST/SGB/2003/13)

THE POLICY FRAMEWORK

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

UN Women Policy on Workplace Harassment & Abuse of Authority.

RETALIATION

UN Women Policy for Protection Against Retaliation.

THE INFORMAL AND FORMAL PROCESSES FOR REPORTING ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

INFORMAL PROCESS

Seek support from colleague/ supervisor

from
Workplace
Relations
Advisor

Consult the Ombudsman

If the Informal Process does not resolve the complaint or grievance, or if either party does not wish to partake in the Informal Process, the complainant may resort to the Formal Process.

FORMAL PROCESS

Reporting to OIOS

Preliminary assessment by OIOS

Investigation by OIOS

Allegations substantiated:

OIOS submits investigation report to DMA who advises the HR Director.

Allegations NOT substantiated: OIOS develops an internal closure note reflecting its decision.

HR informs complainant

REPORTING ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE & SEXUAL HARASSMENT - THE FORMAL PROCESS

The formal channel for reporting allegations of SEA and SHA is:

THE OFFICE OF INTERNAL OVERSIGHT (OIOS)

In 2017:

One case of SEA was reported (under investigation).

No cases of SH were reported.

MEASURES UNDERTAKEN BY UN WOMEN

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

- Regular ED's town hall meetings on sexual misconduct;
- February 2017: Establishment of the role of the Workplace
 Relations Advisor supporting training and internal communication on reporting on sexual misconduct;
- In 2017: 20 field offices received training on misconduct including SEA and SH;
- June 2018: Handbook on policies and procedures for SEA and SH.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

- Active participant in the CEB
 Taskforce on SH & Subgroups
 on Policy and Helplines;
- December 2016 Launched the "Take a Stand" initiative;
- March 2018: Appointment of the Executive Coordinator and Spokesperson on SH and other Forms of Discrimination;
- May 2018: Executive
 Coordinator launched the "End sexual harassment" initiative.

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- Active participant in the SEA
 Working Group.
- Co-chair of Subgroup on a Scoping Study on Gender and SEA.
- January 2017: Creation of a network of focal points on SEA.
- February 2018: Establishment of the PSEA mandatory training (translating it into French, Spanish and Arabic);
- February 2018: Dissemination of "No Excuse" Cards and Posters.

NEXT STEPS

- ✓ Strengthening training, communications, counselling and investigations;
- ✓ Participating in the screening database on sexual misconduct;
- ✓ Inclusion of the Implementing Partner clause on SEA in agreements;
- ✓ Revision of UN Women's Harassment and Retaliation Policies;
- ✓ Liaising with other entities of the UN System (pooling resources).