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# Second Edition of the Thematic Workshop on Elections, Violence and Conflict Prevention

*Election Day Phase - Programming for Electoral Conflict Prevention*

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## *Notional Strategic Objectives*

- Assure that Campaign Rallies are Secure**
- Protection of Polling Stations – Workers and Voters**
- Assure the Secure Transport of Sensitive Materials to and From the Polls**



# *Regulatory Stakeholders*

## **Joint Election Operations Centers**

## **Locus for coordinated electoral security administration**

## **Participation and Staffing**

- EMB, Police and Other Security Forces
- Civil Society and Political Parties

## **Services**

- Communications
- Incident Tracking
- Coordinated Deployments



# *Regulatory Stakeholders*

- ❑ **“Crowd-safe” Polling Station Access and Queuing**
  - Cordons – Iraq (2005)
  - Recommended Voter Routes – Bosnia and Herzegovina (1996)
- ❑ **Managing Boycotts**
  - “Open Door” for 11<sup>th</sup> Hour Inclusion
    - Inkatha Freedom Party – South Africa
- ❑ **Bans on Election Day Vehicular Traffic**
- ❑ **Campaign Rally Protocols**
- ❑ **Weapons Bans**



# *Security Stakeholders*

## **Human Target Protection Agreements**

## **Quick Reaction Forces**

- Regulatory, Security or Judiciary
- Fire and Ambulance Workers – Advanced Voting
- Special Capacities – Hostage Negotiation, Bomb Squads

## **Rules of Engagement**

- Armenia (2008)
- Mongolia (2008)
- Pakistan (2008)
- Hand-Off Rules of Engagement
  - East Timor (1999)



# *Judicial Stakeholders*

## Preparations for Adjudication

- Election Day Disenfranchisement
- Election Campaign Violations
- Election Day Violations



# Political Parties

- **Political Party Agents at Polls**
- **Election Day Party Council Meetings**
- **Party Representatives at EMB**
- **Party Agent Liaison with Domestic Observers**
- **New Media Documentation of Violations and Incidents**



# Other Non-State Stakeholders

- **Electoral Mediation**

- Ghana (2004) – National Peace Council, Regional and District Peace Councils
- Guinea-Bissau (2005) – Citizens’ Goodwill Task Force – “peace brigades” at polling stations

- **Civic Education**

- Mozambique (2004) – NGO sponsored debates

- **Electoral Conflict Monitoring**

- **Media Monitoring**





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**Thank you...**

**...QUESTIONS?**