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Operational Meeting

7 November 2008

**SEDEC Auditorium
133 Kynsey Road Colombo 8**

8.30 am to 9.45 am

Agenda

1. Feedback and Updates

Advocacy update

8.30 am - 8.40 am

**2. Presentation on Child protection issues in Sri Lanka – Mr. Thurairaja
Deputy Solicitor General - Attorney Generals Department - Sri Lanka**

8.40 am - 9.20 am

**3. Presentation on World Concern's activities in Sri Lanka –
Mr. Ian McInnes - Country Director - World Concern Sri Lanka**

9.20 am - 9.40 am

4. Announcements / AOB

9.40 am – 9.45 am

Chair : Mr. F. Hashim - Deputy Executive Director - CHA

About the presentations

2. Child Protection

The presentation will highlight the different offences under the penal code and focus on the rights of the victim in a Criminal investigation and prosecution.

3. World Concern

Ian McInnes, Country Director of World Concern Sri Lanka will outline his agencies work in Sri Lanka since the 2004 Tsunami. World Concern, a faith based INGO, initially engaged in the North, South and East of the country but have concentrated in the Eastern Province over the last two years. Here they specialize in support to small farmers in the dairy and inland fishing industries; also in community infrastructure: particularly housing, multi-purpose community facilities, small bridges and roads, and milk chilling centres. One innovative aspect to their work is their peace building initiatives with agricultural communities, where they take multi-ethnic groups of eastern farmers to the hill country to visit up country farmers and milk production facilities. These and similar activities build relationships within vulnerable communities, and develop greater understanding between Sri Lanka's regions. World Concern is currently facing a significant downsizing and is refocusing its efforts to attract donors interested in funding development activities that bridge *livelihood* with *peace building* activities.