

## **The second meeting of the State Interagency Committee to Combat Gender-Based Violence in Armenia was held in the RoA MLSA**

*On June 17, 2010* the second meeting of the State Interagency Committee to Combat Gender-Based Violence in Armenia, established as per Decree (N 213-A, March 30, 2010) of the RoA Prime Minister Tigran Sargsyan, was held in the premises of the RoA Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs (MLSA).

The meeting of the Committee was held according to the following agenda:

1. Discussion of the draft Decision N1 by the National Interagency Committee to Combat Gender-Based Violence in Armenia regarding creation of the Working Groups;
2. Discussion of the draft Charter of the National Interagency Committee to Combat Gender-Based Violence in Armenia;
3. Overview of the current activities and achievements by the members of the Committee;
4. Presentations and brainstorming.

The meeting was facilitated by Mr. Filaret Berikyan, Deputy Minister of Labor and Social Affairs (MLSA), while the sessions of the meeting were led by Ms. Armenuhi Tanashyan, Head of Division of Women Issues of the Family, Women and Children Department of the RoA MLSA and Mr. Tigran Harutyunyan, Chief Specialist of the Social Affairs Department of the Republic of Armenia Government Staff.

During the meeting a Working Group on Organizational Issues presented the Draft Charter of the State Interagency Committee to Combat Gender-Based Violence in Armenia and prompted the participants to the discussion of the draft document.

After discussion of the Draft Charter, the Committee focused on the issue of establishing another Working Group tasked with drafting 2011-2014 National Action Plan to Combat GBV in Armenia.

As a result of the meeting:

- A) The Draft Charter of the State Interagency Committee to Combat Gender-Based Violence in Armenia was approved;
- B) A Working Group to elaborate a draft of 2011-2014 National Action Plan to Combat GBV in Armenia was established.