

Gender, UN and Security

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The role of the UN in development discourse in Africa will be discussed with a focus on the Millennium Development Goals. Reference will also be given to women's and men's varied experiences of armed conflict in Africa through a discussion of the connections between development, peace and gender equality.

Required Readings

Devaki Jain and Shubha Chacko, "Unfolding Women's Engagement with Development and the UN: Pointers for the Future" 2008 available at <http://devakijain.com/writings/development.html> (ON VULA)

Jain, Devaki. 2005. "Development as if Women Mattered, 1986-1995", *Women, Development, and the UN*. Bloomington: Indiana Press.(IN PACK)

Recommended Readings (ALL ON VULA)

Laura Turquet, Patrick Watt and Tom Sharman, "Hit or miss? Women's rights and the Millennium Development Goals" (ActionAid, 2010)

P. Alston, "Ships Passing in the Night: The Current State of Human Rights and Development Debates seen through the lens of the Millennium Development Goals" *Human Rights Quarterly* 27 (2005), pp 755-829.

Yehualashet Mekonen "A '2015' Agenda for Africa: Development from a Human Perspective", *IDS Bulletin* 41,1 (2010)

Richard Jolly, "The MDGs in Historical Perspective", *IDS Bulletin* 41,1 (2010)

Susan McKay, "Women, Human Security, and Peace-building: A Feminist Analysis", IPSHU English Research Report Series No.19 *Conflict and Human Security: A Search for New Approaches of Peace-building* (2004)

Oficina Do CES 'UNSCR 1325: Is It Only About War? Armed Violence in Non-War Contexts', <http://www.ces.uc.pt/publicacoes/oficina/340/340.php>

Chinkin, Christine and Hillary Charlesworth. "Building Women into Peace: the International Legal Framework". *Third World Quarterly*, Vol. 27, No. 5, pp. 937-957, 2006.