

**Report of the meeting of IYV National Committee
6 September 2001**

Time: 10.30 - 11.30

Participants:

1. Alexis Bisanukuli, VSO
2. Rose Uwimana, AVP
3. Francesca Morandini, UNV
4. Claudine Nzabonitegeka, UNV
5. Marlon Munyampondu, UNV
6. André Banyurwabuke, Representative of Muhima Sector
7. Faustin Kabanza, Coordinator of Club des Formateurs Volontaires, C.F.V.
8. Gérard Twahirwa
9. Théoneste Ukize
10. Espérance Mukarusagara, Chief of CHK Public relations
11. Odette Kamanzi, Chief of CHK Social Service
12. Rose Nyirahirwa, Associate Responsible of CHK Social Service

Agenda

1. UN WEEK: UNV/IYV Volunteer's activity for CHK (Centre Hospitalier de Kigali) on October 20
2. UN WEEK: UNV/IYV Activity of fund raising
3. IYV NatCom's project "Volunteers for local communities"
4. various

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Francesca made a report of the visit to the CHK (see annex 1) and presented the proposal for the activity to be held on 20 October (see annex 2).

The NatCom decided to delegate a sub committee composed by Emmanuel Rushingabigwi, Faustin Kabanzi and Francesca), which will meet a CHK Committee composed by Espérance Mukarusagara, Odette Kamanzi and Rose Nyirahirwa, to finalize the program of the day. They will discuss also about the second point (fund-raising activity). They will meet on Tuesday 11 October at 10.00 a.m. at CHK)

Suggestions:

- ❖ To organize a collection of clothes, soap and other materials for indigent patients of CHK. IYV NatCom associations' members will take care of the

collection in all Kigali districts. Two-week sensitization and one-week collection, before 20 October. (Alexis, VSO)

- ❖ To combine 20 October volunteers' activity with the patient's day, traditionally organized by CHK in February. In this day CHK used to invite their partners (associations, private citizens, traders, societies) to come to the hospital and to organize a fund raising. (Espérance, CHK)
- ❖ To invite the Minister of Health to support the activity and to ask to ORINFOR free advertising for our activity. (Espérance, CHK)
- ❖ To change fund-raising evening's date from 24 to 19 October (Friday). (Alexis, VSO)
- ❖ To organize a volunteers' match before the big match (the same day) to attract more volunteers. (Alexis, VSO)

3. IYV NatCom's project "Volunteers for local communities"

The NatCom wants to organize the training camp in the last week of September, from 23 to 29 September.

Francesca will take contacts with people to prepare the training program (with Club des Formateurs Volontaires and UN experts) and with Rwandan Red Cross to plan a visit to the place where the camp is going to be organized and to finalize practical preparations.

Kigali, 6 September 2001

Francesca Morandini
UNV Unit

ANNEX 1

Report of the visit to CHK Centre Hospitalier de Kigali September 4, 2001

September 4, 2001

9.00 - 12.00 a.m.

Francesca for the IYV NatCom visited the CHK Hospital and spoke with the Director, Doc. Innocent NYARUHIRIRA.

Ms. Odette KAMANZI Chief of CHK Social Service, Ms. Espérance MUKARUSAGARA, Chief of Central Secretary service and of Public Relations and Ms. Rose NYIRAHIRWA, Associate Responsible for CHK Social Service, accompanied her during the visit. In each section there is a social assistant from the CHK Social Service.

Frais d'hospitalisation

In the clinic: 6.000 RWF per day (5.000 + 1.000 for food)

In the normal hospital: 300 RWF per day (no food)

The hospital has 550 beds in all. Last year there have been 24.600 admissions, with a percentage of 15% - 20% of indigent patients.

The hospital is always full: it happens quite often that two patients have to share the same bed.

Population' participation in helping their hospital is still too weak.

The CHK Social Service has tried to organize some fund raising activities but they realized that they were spending too much money comparing with the activity's results (cost: 1.500.000 RWF, money collected: 2.500.000).

Patient's day

CHK used to organize a patient's day, in which they prepare food for all the patients. For two meals (breakfast and lunch) for 600 patients they spent 350.000 RWF.

EMERGENCY

Res. Estelle

There is a reception hall with 4 beds, which are not enough, a sterilizing room, a pharmacy, one "salle de petite chirurgie" and one "salle des grandes malades" with seven beds, which are not enough.

Problems

Too many patients cannot pay. Most of people who have an accident come there without money and families are informed only 3-4 days after. So in this period is the Social Service the one who takes care of them and pays for everything. There are also many people who need a special alimentary treatment (malnourish children, diabetic people).

Many street children are admitted every day. There are 40 - 60 patients each day.

July 2001

Emergency unit received 29 patients who could not pay (cost for the hospital: 32.585 RWF).

Social Service takes care of clothes, medicines, food, soap, transport and burying of indigent patients.

OFTALMOLOGY and STOMATOLOGY

Res. Viviane

July 2001

They received 32 patients who could not pay (cost for the hospital: 24.700 RWF).

SURGERY

Res. Juliette

It's composed of three rooms (orthopedic surgery, general surgery for men and general surgery for women) with 100 beds in all.

Problems

- ❖ Lack of space; there are not enough beds and many people come to the hospital to be admitted and they sleep outside in the garden till they find a free place. For the moment there are 20 people waiting to be admitted.
- ❖ Lack of materials, like sheets for beds, clothes, medicines, etc.
- ❖ Many amputated patients don't have money to buy crutches or wheel chairs so they stay in the hospital for a long time because at home nobody takes care of them and they cannot move.
- ❖ In general surgery for women there are many women who were rejected by their families after child birth and don't have any place where to go and no means to survive.
- ❖ Indigent patients: **July 2001** they received 110 indigent patients (cost for the hospital: 319.500 RWF)

INTERNAL MEDECINE

There are 5 rooms.

Problems

- ❖ TBC patients are many and very difficult to isolate from the others
- ❖ The same for AIDS patients, who are rejected by their families and are in extremely poor conditions. AIDS patients are 60% of the all patients.

- ❖ Medicines are very expensive. When the hospital has not medicines, the CHK Social Service buy them downtown (if they have money)
- ❖ There's not enough personnel: 1 nurse for 24 patients (optimal conditions: 1 nurse for 5 patients)
- ❖ **July 2001** indigent patients: 213, with a cost for the hospital of 556.700

PEDIATRY

Res. Eugenie

Three rooms, with 81 beds.

Problems

- ❖ Many women come from far away so they don't have anyone of their family who takes care of them. Some of them come here after a long period in local Health Centers, where they have already spent all their money. Social Service takes care of them.
- ❖ Some young women abandon their children after birth. CHK sends them to orphanages.
- ❖ Malnourish children need a special food, but the section has no enough means to prepare it.
- ❖ **July 2001** 322 indigent patients, cost for the hospital 352.375 RWF

MATERNITY

Res. Estelle

Problems

- ❖ Lack of space, there are not enough beds
- ❖ Lack of materials
- ❖ Indigent women who cannot pay
- ❖ Long periods of hospitalization due to lack of means (some poor women have no place to stay)
- ❖ CHK Social Service takes care of at least 15 - 20 women per day
- ❖ **July 2001** 65 indigent patients, cost for the hospital: 145.400 RWF

Total of indigent patients (July 2001): 771

Total cost for the hospital: 1.431.260 RWF

Kigali, 5 September 2001

Francesca Morandini

UNV Unit

ANNEX 2

UNV UNIT

UN WEEK 16 - 24 October 2001

Proposal for a volunteer's activity - 20 October 2001

"Volunteers for CHK"

The UNV Unit and the IYV 2001 National Committee propose to centre the volunteers' activity on the CHK, Centre Hospitalier de Kigali.

In this regard, we want to mobilize volunteers, both from UN Agencies and from the associations that are members of the NatCom, to feed CHK patients.

There is a CHK Social Service, which has not enough means to follow all the indigent patients of the hospital (indigents are 20% of the all CHK patients).

Proposal:

Last week of September: at the same time of UN week's launch, we will advertise public fund raising among all UN Agencies' staff and all NatCom associations' members.

For each UN Agency there will be a colleague in charge of fund raising. We will prepare a leaflet to explain the aim of this activity.

20 October: a part of funds collected will be used to buy and prepare food for the hospital on 20 October (volunteers will distribute meals at breakfast, lunch and dinner to all patients). The rest of the money will be given to the CHK Social Service to buy medicines, food, soap and other materials for indigent patients.

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Proposal for a fund raising activity - 24 October 2001

Two proposals:

- ❖ Football match
- ❖ Soirée at the French Culture Center