

IDPAD National Meeting Notes 10/15/19

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- I. Recap of first call
 - a. What has been done so far.
 - b. Discussed what the working group wants to accomplish in the decade.
 - c. How can we work more collaboratively in the future.
- II. Agenda
 - a. UNGA- MIPAD
 - i. Opened September 23. Lots of ideas came out of it.
 - ii. International PAD attendees suggested that a delegation be sent to UN in NY to advocate for the desired outcomes in terms of the permanent forum and declaration together with the document that was signed by 118 organizations worldwide.
 - iii. Had a meeting with the Permanent Mission from Colombia
 - iv. We want to understand what grassroots folx want to accomplish in the Decade.
 - v. Invited Congresswoman Ilhan Omar to the Howard Summit to discuss PAD related issues and possibly get congressional involvement on reparations and recognition of the Decade.
 - vi. Interesting to hear from PAD people worldwide and hear what they are doing for the Decade. Introduced challenges that have been experienced by PAD groups internationally. Could be helpful to guide our work.
 - vii. Priority to meet with the people most impacted by human rights violations.
 - 1. Met with Ron Davis (father of Jordan Davis)
 - 2. Met with Gwen Carr (mother of Eric Garner)
 - a. Discussed what justice would look like for Eric through a human rights framework
 - 3. The Gathering for Justice
 - b. What's Next?
 - i. Need to put together a PAD working group
 - ii. Organize and execute work around the decade and outside the focus of the decade.
 - 1. USHRN has a tentative plan, however the working group would add structure
 - a. Three Themes – perhaps organize one call per theme, other could be added if necessary.
 - i. Recognition
 - ii. Justice
 - iii. Development
 - b. Advocates in these areas could make presentations.

- c. Themes are interpreted widely and each country or region has differing needs and desires regarding the work accomplished.
 - i. APA has a set of criteria based on integrating the decade into their work
 - ii. Dream Defenders has some good ideas based on the Geo Group and their ownership of private prisons. They have a toolkit with a human rights framework.
 - iii. There is more information on the www.idpad.org website.
 - iv. Groups such as Sister Song and BAJI have already begun work on one or all of the three themes.
 - 2. Guiding Questions for future work
 - a. What are our highest dreams for ourselves as People of African Descent?
 - b. What is our shared vision for where we are going?
 - c. What steps can we take toward moving toward these goals?
 - 3. Potential products from the working group?
 - a. A manifesto
 - b. A toolkit – see the Freedom Papers
 - c. An action plan
 - d. A cultural strategy
 - 4. Next steps
 - a. Formulate a working group
 - b. First meeting in the next two weeks
- c. Upcoming Events
 - i. Discussion of the Report from the Special Rapporteur on Contemporary Forms of Slavery – Oct. 25. United Nations Headquarters
 - ii. Regional Meeting For Africa on the IDPAD – Oct. 23-24. Senegal
 - iii. Mid Decade Summit – Nov. 13, Howard University, Washington, DC
 - 1. To register, go to www.idpad.org/summit
 - iv. Upcoming event in Costa Rica- details to come.
 - v. UNGA vote on location permanent forum, Nov. 24 or 25

III. Questions

- a. What will be discussed at the Howard Summit?
 - i. Two Plenaries
 - 1. Look back on what has been accomplished so far.
 - 2. Town hall on what we want to accomplish in the remainder of the decade
 - ii. 4 afternoon breakout sessions
 - 1. Reparations
 - 2. Permanent Forum
 - 3. Declaration on right of PAD
 - 4. 1 more not solidified as yet.
- b. Slides will be available of this call.

- c. Who would be interested in participating in the working group?
 - i. Jenipher Jones
 - ii. Diana Kimble
 - iii. Corann Okorodudu

IV. Attendees

- a. Naeemah Muhammad, North Carolina Environmental Justice Network
- b. Alicia White, Brooklyn Defender Services
- c. Rommell Washington, Crime Victims Treatment Center
- d. Jenipher Jones, NDH Law
- e. Diana Kimble, NCOBRA
- f. Corann Okorodudu, NGO Committee for the Elimination of Racism, Afrophobia and Colorism