

Response from Michel Sidibé by e-mail to the letter sent by the IAWC on 3rd November 2009.

9 November 2009

Subject: RE: Letter of support for the Operational Plan of the UNAIDS Action Framework on Women, Girls, Gender Equality and HIV

Dear colleagues,

I would like to thank you for your letter and expression of appreciation.

Your leadership on bringing the global AIDS response and the work on sexual and reproductive health and rights agendas together is greatly appreciated.

The contributions from civil society representatives to the process of developing the Operational Plan for the *UNAIDS Action Framework: Addressing Women, Girls, Gender Equality and HIV* have been extremely helpful and constructive.

You will shortly receive the final draft of the document which reflects the strong role of civil society in catalyzing change for this important issue.

I look forward to continuing to work with you in the same spirit of partnership to implement the Operational Plan to accelerate action at the country level.

Sincerely,

Michel Sidibé