

- General observations:
 - Rebuilding criminal justice institutions is an important objective that should be included as part of the peacebuilding process.
 - The socialization of child soldiers and their re-integration in society are important issues that should form part of peacebuilding initiatives. Canadian youth, given the opportunity, are particularly well placed to assist in the development of an exchange program that would allow demobilized combatants to develop leadership skills. The program would have to be a long-term one and be culturally relevant.
 - The use of more Canadian women as peacekeepers would assist in the healing process of female victims, most notably by helping the latter trust that they will not be further victimized.
 - Canada should stop selling weapons, particularly if it is committed to setting an example.

Plenary Session

Reports from all rapporteurs.

Highlights of points discussed following the reports:

- Mediation and Restorative Justice: there is always the difficult problem of defining what is meant in fact by the concept of "community". How is the concept defined in a community broken by conflict?
- Restorative justice is a way in which it becomes possible to create a community based system in the future.
 - However, advocates for the rights of children, youth and victims of crime in general are often very concerned with the implementation of restorative justice approaches, as these approaches do not necessarily offer the same procedural guarantees as the traditional adversarial systems.
- Canada may be in a good position to share its experience with other countries regarding various issues relating to the rights of "aboriginal peoples" and how they can be protected through the criminal justice process.
 - Sharing with other countries our experiences of failure may be as important as sharing our experiences of success.
 - It is important to model the values we wish to affirm.