



**60<sup>th</sup>SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (CSW)**

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**Talking Notes for Dr Richard Nduhura, Representative of the Republic of Uganda  
Mission to the United Nations**

**SIDE EVENT:           AGEING WITH DIGNITY: SOCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS  
TRANSFORMING LIVES OF OLDER WOMEN IN UGANDA**

**DATE: 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

Your Excellences,  
Hon Minister  
Distinguished delegates  
Ladies and Gentlemen

- I take this opportunity to welcome you all to this 60<sup>th</sup> session of the CSW and in a special way to this side event organised by the Government of the Republic of Uganda under the theme: Ageing with Dignity: Social Assistance Grants Transforming Lives of Older Women in Uganda.
- The Government of Uganda has since 1986 been championing the women's cause especially their political, social and economic empowerment.
- To this end Uganda has several programmes on the ground focused on empowering women. Therefore we appreciate this opportunity to show case what we are doing to support the old women age with dignity. The experience is from the Social Assistance Grants for Empowerment which are transforming lives of older women in

Uganda. SAGE is a component of the Expanding Social Protection programme which is aimed at addressing risks and vulnerability among the population.

- The details of the SAGE programme and its impacts will be shared with you shortly.
- It is my pleasure and honour to introduce to you the team which is going to make the presentation this afternoon.
- First and foremost the leader of Uganda's is Hon. Wilson Muruli Mukasa the Minister for Gender, Labour and Social Development. Hon Muruli has been in the ministry since 2014.
- The Honourable Minister will give opening remarks which will be followed by a brief documentary on social Assistance Grants for empowerment and how it is transforming the lives of older people in Uganda.
- This will be followed by a Presentation by the PS MGLSD on ageing with dignity: Social Assistance Grants for Empowerment transforming lives of older women in Uganda.
- Next will be a comment by David Stuart of UNICEF on behalf of the Development partners.
- This will be followed by 15 minutes of comments; questions from the participants.
- Allow me to invite the Honorable Minister to make his remarks and set the ball rolling.