

Visit to Zambia by Danish Parliament's Foreign Affairs Committee (URU)

7 to 11 June 2010

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Date	Activity	Objective/Issues
Monday 7 June		
23.15	Arrival at Lusaka International Airport	
00.30	Arrival and check in at Hotel Intercontinental	
Tuesday 8 June	Activity	Objective/issues
9.00 - 10.40	Briefing about Zambia at the Danish Embassy	Introduction to the programme and the political and economic situation as well as the development cooperation by the Embassy staff
11.00 – 12.50	Visit to the Zambian Parliament	<p>Topics:</p> <p>The constitution committee is expected to complete their work by August 2010. Is it likely that a new constitution will be in place in time for next presidential and parliamentary elections in 2011, and how will this affect leveling the playing field ?</p> <p>Also expected discussions with the National Accounts' Committee (statsrevisorerne)</p>
13.00 – 14.50	Lunch with members of Electoral Commission and National Constitution Conference at Restaurant Portico	The upcoming election (mid 2011) and an approval of a new constitution will dominate the political landscape during the next year
15.00	(Group 1) Meeting with Civil Society Organisations working in areas of Governance.	To meet representatives of civil society organisations in the governance sector and discuss key topical issues.

	(Group 2) Meeting with Zambia National AIDS Network (Group 3) eventuelt møde med Post)	To meet Zambia National AIDS Network members to discuss the role of Civil Society Organisations in strengthening the National HIV and AIDS response. To :::
17.00 – 18.15	Meeting with 1 st President, Kenneth David Kaunda	A bit of history. Present development and regional integration
18.30	Reception at the Danish Embassy	Meeting the Danish community and representatives from Zambian and international community in Lusaka
Wednesday 9 June	Activity	Objective/issues
07.00	Departure from Hotel Intercontinental	
09.00	(Group 1) Visit to Kabwe Open Community School	To meet the Headmistress, Parent's Teacher's Association, and the District Education Board officials to discuss basic education for children at Kabwe Open Community School, Makululu. Kabwe
09.00	(Group 2) Visit to Mulumbo Early Childhood Care and Development Foundation, Kabwe	To meet parents, caregivers and local authority representatives and discuss the effects of HIV/AIDS and malaria among orphans and vulnerable children (OVCs).
09.50	(Group 1) Departure for a visit to High Court in Kabwe	To meet representatives of the criminal justice system and civil society based legal aid service pro-

		viders involved in the Communication, Cooperation and Coordination Initiative (CCCI).
09.50	(Group 2) Departure for a visit to District Commissioners Office in Kabwe	To discuss the decentralisation process including challenges concerning decentralised service delivery and contributing to poverty alleviation.
11.15	Departure for Ndola with a stop for lunch at Kapiri Mposhi (lunch break around 12:00)	Packed lunch
14:00	Arrival in Ndola and visit to Kafubu Water & Sewerage Company followed by a visit to a sewerage treatment plant and a water “kiosk”.	To appreciate the improvement in the company’s service improvements, after the reforms of the commercialisation, in particular to see the interventions done and planned through Danida assistance in cooperation with other cooperating partners
16.00	Departure for Chingola	
17.30	Arrival at Protea Hotel in Chingola	
19.00	Departure for a dinner hosted by Konkola Copper Mines management at the KCM-Chairman’s Lodge including a presentation of KCM operations a	Introduction to the KCM-activities before the visit to KCM-facilities the next morning.
Thursday 10 June	Activity	Objective/issues
6.30	Breakfast and check out of the hotel	
7.15	Departure for a visit to KCM	Conducted tour of open pit mining at Nchanga
8.00	KCM	Conducted tour of new copper smelting facility at Nchanga

9.30	KCM	Conducted tour of Konkola Deep Mining Project at Chililabombwe mine
10.30	Departure for Kasompe Airstrip	
11.00	Departure with chartered flights to Lusaka	
12.15	Arrival at Lusaka International Airport and transfer to Hotel Intercontinental. Lunch at Hotel Intercontinental	Individual lunch arrangement
13.50	(Group 1) Departure for meeting with Minister for Finance and Economic Planning	To be briefed about recent progress towards achieving Zambia's visions of becoming a middle income country by 2030 and discuss the future role of development assistance.
13.50	(Group 2) Departure for meeting with COMESA	To discuss progress and bottlenecks in the efforts to promote regional economic integration including possible merger of work plans of the 3 regional organisations, Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), East African Community (EAC) and Southern Africa Development Community (SADC).
15.15	(Group 1) Departure for meeting with Minister of Commerce and Industry	The Africa Commission came up with clear recommendations on the private sector to be the vehicle to economic growth and job creation. Zambia is striving towards becoming a middle income country. The objective of the meeting is to assess the strategy for economic growth and the likelihood that poverty be reduced.

15:30	(Group 2) Meeting with Minister of Tourism, Environment and Natural Resources	To discuss advancements and challenges in the tourism, environment and natural resources sector including climate change.
16.45	Departure for audience with President Rupia Banda	To have a state of the Nation orientation as well as the President's view of recent successes and challenges and vision of the way forward.
19:00	Departure for a dinner at the Ambassador's Residence with selected donors	To meet donor representatives and discuss the aid development in Zambia between other issues .
Friday 11 June	Activity	Objective/issues
07.00	Departure to Monza	Short stop at Chilanga Cement plant which has been supported by Danish state Loans
10.00	Arrive at Monze Diocese Development Department (Dan Church Aid supported activities)	Introduction to activities at MDDD's office
10.30	Departure to field visit located close to Choma	
11:30	Field visit to MDDD-activities	
12:30	Departure for Kozo Lodge (Choma)	
12:45	Lunch with (possible) Danish Farmers at Kozo Lodge	Two Danish families have for many years been growing tobacco on their farms which are located close to Choma
13:45	Departure for Kalomo and visit to water and sanitation project on route	To appreciate the improvement in health and living conditions in communities through the provision of improved water and sanitation facilities and the challenges of decentralised implementation.

14.45	Meeting with District Secretary (kommunaldirektør) and staff	To discuss Danish Water Supported activities
15.45	Departure to the border crossing between Zambia and Zimbabwe	
17.45	Arrival at the Zambia/Zimbabwe border	Crossing over Zambezi river bridge
18.15	Arrival at Vic. Falls Safari Lodge, Victoria Falls Town	