



WOMEN'S RIGHTS SECTION

CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN

MISSION TO LIBERIA, 12-15 JUNE 2006

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF EXPERTS

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Ministry of Gender and Development

Ministry of Education

Ministry of Health and Social Welfare

Ministry of Labour

Ministry of Justice

Ministry of Planning and Economic Affairs

Ministry of Internal Affairs

House Standing Committees on the Judiciary, Human Rights, Gender and the Women's Caucus

Truth and Reconciliation Commission

