Presentation To Parliament Committee on Sexual Offences

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ROLES OF CISOCA

➢ Investigate allegations of sexual offences and child abuse

➢ Create an atmosphere that will encourage victims to report incidents of sexual offences and child abuse.

➢ Efficient and effective investigation into allegations of abuse.
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- Ensure that rehabilitation of victims through counseling and therapy.
- Conduct public education programmes on Sexual Offences and Child Abuse
- Ensure that victims are medically examined by medical doctors
- Ensure that victims receive the necessary health treatment
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- Empathize and reassure victims and their relatives
- Investigate and ensure that offenders are arrested
- Matters are placed before the court as quickly as possible
- Chain of custody is preserved in all exhibits collected
TYPES OF CASES

- Rape
- Assault with intent to rape
- Buggery
- Attempted Rape
- Attempted Buggery
- Sexual Intercourse with a person under the age of 16 years old
- Grievous Sexual Assault
- Cruelty to Child
- Child in Need of Care and Protection
Persons with Reporting Responsibilities

- Member of the public
- Guidance Counsellors
- Parents
- Anonymous Calls
- OCR
- Medical Doctors

- Victim Support Division
- OCR
- CDA
- The police
- Just about anyone
  (Prescribed persons)
Steps Taken By CISOCA (Investigative Process)

- Interview and assess each complainant
- Record statements of victims, witnesses and potential witnesses.
- Arrange for victims to be medically examined and treated by a medical doctor
- Secure medication for victims as also Medical Certificates for evidential purposes.
- Prepare and take exhibits to the Forensic Government Laboratory for analysis
Steps Taken By CISOCA Cont’d

➢ Apprehension of perpetrators for arraignment before the Court
➢ Multi-agency approach to rehabilitation involving the following agency:

- Office of the Children’s Registry,
- Office of the Children’s Advocate,
- Victims Services Division,
- Child Development Agency,
- Women’s Crisis Centre
- Among others
Steps Taken By CISOCA Cont'd

➢ Public Education - Conduct lectures in

A) Schools:
   - pre-school, tertiary level,
   - secondary level,
   - tertiary level

B) Churches

C) Training Institutions

D) Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

E) Neighborhood watches

F) Printed Materials - Brochures
Questions