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## FOREWORD

This report summarises the major activities carried out by the Office for Justice and Peace (SKP)<sup>1</sup> during 2004. It is presented to partner organisations and serves as a source of information for anyone interested in the activities of SKP Jayapura.

### **SKP Status and Personnel**

Established in July 1998, SKP is an integral part of the Catholic Diocese of Jayapura ([www.hampapua.org/skp/wajahskp2.html](http://www.hampapua.org/skp/wajahskp2.html)). SKP employed seven staff: five were responsible for managing programs, one for the financial management and one for logistical matters. In mid of May 2004, one staffer of SKP, Br Budi Hernawan ofm, who has finished his studies for Master degree at Australian National University, Canberra-Australia, re-joined the team after taking a seven-week course on human rights lobby and advocacy in Geneva, Switzerland. Therefore, the team was complete to implement the program.

However, this situation did not go for so long. One staffer, Ms Frederika Korain, got involved in a long-term commitment to represent SKP in the selection team of the branch office of the Indonesian National Commission on Human Rights (KOMNAS HAM). Along with five other members, she spent half of the year with the team to recruit and select suitable candidates to run this office and consequently, she had to leave some of her responsibilities at SKP. Moreover, during her term as a member of the selection team, she had to take leave due to her health problem. This situation contributed to the limited performance of SKP to carry out the planned activities last year.

The end of 2004 was marked by the regeneration of leadership since Br Theo van den Broek ofm handed over SKP's directorship to Br J. Budi Hernawan ofm. More importantly, this change went along with the reorganisation of SKP as the Superior of the Franciscan Order in Papua took a role as a co-founder along with the Bishop of Jayapura, Most Rev. Dr Leo Laba Ladjar ofm. This means that the Franciscans in particular re-affirm its commitment to

<sup>1</sup> In this report we will use the Indonesian abbreviation "SKP" for the Office for Justice and Peace as this is name by which the office normally known. In this report SKP stands for SKP Jayapura, unless mentioned otherwise.

supporting the work of SKP not only in terms of human resources but also in supervising the program and assuming responsibility its financial consequences. These two founders will form the board of commissioners to supervise and support the work of SKP as this re-organisation is intended to strengthen the organisation of SKP and to clarify the role of the Franciscans in this ministry. This change will also serve as an entry point to embrace religious orders which work in Papua to be more pro-active towards the issue of justice, peace and the integrity of creation.

In this report we will provide an overview of SKP's activities in 2004 under four categories:

1. Advocacy
2. Information
3. Training
4. "Building Peace Culture"

## **1. ADVOCACY**

SKP's advocacy work in 2004 consisted of advocacy, litigation and lobby that can be outlined as follows:

### **1.1 ADVOCACY**

#### **1.1.1 Komnas HAM branch office**

As part of our commitment to promote and protect human rights in Papua, SKP was involved in the Selection Team of KOMNAS HAM branch office in Papua. Upon the request of KOMNAS HAM (Komnas HAM decree no. 20/KOMNAS HAM/VII/2003) the provincial house of representatives selected 7 out of 16 candidates and submitted it to Komnas HAM which then established 5 people to run the team. Representing the Diocese of Jayapura, Ms Frederika Korain spent almost half of the year (December 2003, July-October 2004) in this team along with five other members to prepare, recruit, select candidates.

It is worth mentioned that the preparation stage was considered a difficult and time-consuming job, particularly in lobbying the provincial government to provide funds for this work. It took more than 6 months before the governor office agreed on the funds available for the selection process. However, the funds proved insufficient since the team was unable to disseminate the information across Papua and more importantly, to do selection outside Jayapura, the capital province. Therefore, it was understandable that those who enrolled were candidates who came from Jayapura.

The selection process consisted of three stages, including enrolment, administration selection and finally, fit and proper test. 117 candidates were enrolled at the first stage and after having gone the administrative scrutiny, there were only 68 candidates left. These people then went to the last selection which was written test and interview process, and 7 people were elected. These screening processes, particularly the last stage, were intended to have qualified candidates who would be able to run the office. At last, on 10 January 2005, the Chair of KOMNAS HAM inaugurated these seven people as members of the branch office. Nonetheless, SKP must admit that these seven people need more training to really be well prepared to take up the job.

#### **1.1.2 Assue case**

There was an essential development in our experiences in doing advocacy work when we organised rallies in Jayapura in conjunction with SKP Merauke, university student groups, women's groups and some NGOs. This was a fashionable form to raise public awareness of a particular human rights issue in Papua since the authorities frequently neglect the public interests.

The Assue case derived from the chronic poor condition in Assue, District of Mappi, where sandalwood business and trading had caused the serious destruction of the indigenous people's livelihood. Backed with the police and military personnel, the Chinese and Korean

businessmen also distributed alcohol and prostitutes that contributed to the endemic of HIV/AIDS in this particular area as well as the uncontrollable alcohol distribution. This situation had been repeatedly brought to the attention of the head of the District of Merauke but there was no systematic action taken to address the problem. The situation deteriorated until SKP Merauke in conjunction with the Tribal Chief raised this issue in Jayapura in November 2004 insisting the Provincial parliament to address the key issues that threatened the existence of Wiyagar and Awyu people, including the natural resource management, trafficking of women, alcoholism, the rights of the indigenous people and violence against women. The parliament constructively responded to this complaint by establishing a fact-finding team that made an investigation into the case in order to provide recommendations to the parliament to legislate relevant regional regulations to address these problems. SKP Jayapura and Merauke are among 15 people in the fact-finding team. This team is scheduled to submit the final report in March 2005.

### **1.1.3 Human rights defenders**

Based on our experiences with the UN Human Rights mechanisms, we reported the case of threat committed by the Territorial Commander of the Military of Trikora to our colleague, ALDP, to the Special Representatives of the UN Secretary General on Human Rights Defenders. The threat resulted from a press conference held by ALDP to mark the UN International Day in support of victims of torture 26 June 2004. During this press conference, ALDP released its research on the cases of torture in Demta and Wamena underlining the involvement of the military and police personnel in such a crime. This identification obviously made the military embarrassed and put threat over ALDP that if this organisation did not withdraw its statement, the military would file a case against them for a libel. There was no further action taken by the Military Commander.

### **1.1.4 Puncak Jaya**

Since 17 August 2004, the situation around Mulia, the capital of the District of Puncak Jaya deteriorated following the shooting of a member of the Special Armed Forces (*Kopassus*). This incident mobilised the army to search in the perpetrator that spread fear and tension among the people around Mulia. The tension reached its culmination when a local priest, Elisa Tabuni, was reportedly shot dead by the army and immediately, this killing triggered strong reaction in Jayapura. Solidarity movement for Puncak Jaya held rallies to the Provincial Parliament as well as to the governor office in Jayapura in November 2004. This group demanded for accountability to the military commander and the protection of the people in Mulia.

As a response two investigation teams were established. One team comprised 7 members of the provincial parliaments so it was called "team-7" and the other one consisted of 33 members representing a wide variety of stakeholders in Papua, including the military, the police, the provincial government, the university student group, women's group, NGOs, religious leaders and the provincial parliament. Given such a broad-based affiliated group, it

proved difficult to work and conduct an investigation. Moreover, the provincial government did not provide funds to support the work as it promised to the public audience.

Due to its focus on the advocacy of the Assue case that occurred simulatenously, SKP was unable to meet the request of the provincial parliament to involve in this investigation representing NGOs' section. Instead, SKP in conjunction with the religious leaders in Papua held an audience with the Chair of the Provincial Parliament to express its deep concern as well as its demand to raise the issue of Puncak Jaya to the attention of KOMNAS HAM requesting the establishment of an official investigation team ([www.hampapua.org/skp/skp04/app-36e.pdf](http://www.hampapua.org/skp/skp04/app-36e.pdf)). Such a request has never been followed up by the Provincial Parliament.

#### **1.1.5 Holte Kamp, Jayapura**

SKP received a complaint from the Tribe of Kemo Palong from Holte Kamp, Jayapura, with regard to its land rights. These people reported to the Mayor of Jayapura that they were threathned by the migrants in this area using their connection with the army and the police. They also raised the issue of the operation of Bintang Mas timber company which destroyed their livelihood. At this stage, SKP has made efforts to investigate the history of the ownership and to write letters to the Mayor of Jayapura requesting for a clarification over this matter.

## **1.2 LITIGATION**

### **1.2.1 Legal proceedings of the Abepura case**

It has been the long commitment of SKP to work with those who are committed to dealing with the Abepura case. SKP was involved in the investigation team on behalf of KOMNAS HAM in 2001 and now it joins in the coalition of NGOs for the Abepura case. In this context, SKP plays a role of the distributor of any internal information to all members since the court hears the case on 7 May 2004. In order to maximise this work, SKP has established a special section on its website ([www.hampapua.org/skp/abepura/abepura.html](http://www.hampapua.org/skp/abepura/abepura.html)) to update the information of the legal proceedings.

Since the beginning of 2004, the coalition has put major efforts to provide trauma counseling, organise and train the survivor to be able to deliver their testimonies in prepared ways. This work resulted in the establishment of the community of the Abepura survivors (*Komunitas Korban Abepura*) that have a structure to represent themselves in any public event. This community has become a partner as well as a member of the coalition. Such an achievement is a further step of the pattern of NGOs' advocacy work in Papua since in the previous years the victims only play a role of clients. Base on a consolidated work, this case won support from the foreign diplomatic missions, International NGOs and Makassar public. Such attention encouraged the survivors and the coalition to continue their struggle for justice.

Besides this positive outcome, we experience that internal communication is not always easy since there are three separate focal points: Jakarta, Makassar and Jayapura that do not have regular contact. The loosest structure is in Makassar and Jakarta whereas Jayapura is quite

organised. So it was not a surprise that SKP did not have sufficient information on the detailed legal proceedings, witness testimonies, reports of the audience between NGOs and prosecutors, etc. This poor communication among members resulted in a misunderstanding when one of the coalition members held a public discussion in Jakarta without any knowledge of the coalition and the community of the Abepura survivors.

### **1.2.2 Legal proceedings of the Wamena case**

Since the very beginning in mid of 2003, SKP has put major efforts to advocate the Wamena case of 2003 on behalf of the victims and the religious leaders in Papua. One of our staff, Ms Frederika Korain, was deeply involved in the investigation and lobby work in Jakarta in conjunction with Legal Aid Foundation, ALDP and PBHI. This coalition of NGOs focused on the impact of the sweeping operation by the army to civilians around the Baliem valley. This effort resulted in the establishment of the investigation team under the mandate of KOMNAS HAM. For three months, an investigation team collected facts and evidence.

While KPP HAM's investigation was under way, the police filed the case of the suspects to the Magistrate of Wamena with a charge of treason. In conjunction with ALDP, SKP provided legal assistance to 7 suspects since the case was in the Magistrate level up to the Supreme Court. However, it was great disappointment for the suspects as well as for us when the Magistrate sentenced the suspects from 15 year up to life-time imprisonment. We appealed to the High Court and the Supreme Court but the decision was unchallenged. We request for pardon from the President but this submission was dismissed.

During their term to serve their sentence in the Wamena prison, these seven people were not protected by the warden, Hendro Sekaryanto, since he allowed the police and military personnel made exercise in the prison compound that caused fear and intimidation. Recently, the warden even deliberately forced these political prisoners move to the Makassar prison arguing that these people required better guidance. The coalition made an official protest and wrote a letter to the National Commission on Human Rights complaining that this procedure was unacceptable since there was no legal basis to do so. As a response, Komnas HAM wrote a letter to the Head of the Department of justice and human rights clarifying this matter but there was no action taken to restore the situation.

### **1.2.2 Legal proceedings of the Bolakme case**

The same coalition also provides legal assistance to two suspects of the Bolakme case who are charged of treason: Yenggerly Murib and Jigi Jigibalom. The later suspect is in poor health condition due the impact of torture he suffered during its detention and due to his cataract. The coalition repeatedly requested permission to the warden, Hendro Sekaryanto, to bring Jigibalom to Jayapura for medical treatment but this request was always denied. Similar to the suspects of the Wamena incident, the Magistrate of Wamena sentenced these people with 15 and 20 year jail even though the proceedings hardly found the evidence. As requested by these suspect, the coalition appealed to the High Court but this court only

confirmed the sentence. Since the suspects then asked for clemency from the President, then the coalition has submitted this request.

### **1.3 LOBBY**

#### **1.3.1 Partnership with PBHI**

Based on our existing cooperation with PBHI, SKP explored any possibilities to maximise its relationship and partnership with this Jakarta-based NGO. This year SKP worked very closely within the NGO coalition for the Abepura case and also in the case of detention of 4 papuan students in Semarang. This co-operation resulted in the release of the students.

#### **1.3.2 Australia's connection**

During his term in Australia, one of SKP staff, Br Budi Hernawan ofm, made some contacts with local NGOs that have interests with Papua, particularly church-based organisations, Amnesty International and ACFOA. Beside that these contacts were made as part of a research project, these contacts provide some insights of how limited information on Papua was available to the Australian public. Some available information was more focused on pro-independence aspirations, military operation in Papua and other political aspects. It was hard for the ordinary people to find a complete picture of the daily life in Papua that depicted how the peoples from various background lived together.

#### **1.3.3 The 60<sup>th</sup> Commission on Human Rights in Geneva, Switzerland**

This year marked the third year for SKP to do lobby and advocacy work in the UN level in Geneva under the close co-operation with Franciscans International, a faith-based NGO with the General Consultative Status with ECOSOC. Br Theo van den Broek ofm and Br Budi Hernawan ofm represented SKP in this forum to present the current human rights situation in Papua as well as to lobby interested diplomatic missions to pay attention to the situation in Papua ([www.hampapua.org/skp/skp04/app-28e.pdf](http://www.hampapua.org/skp/skp04/app-28e.pdf)). This work has always been demanding in terms of time, funds, language skills and the knowledge of international human rights law. This year SKP's capacity to lobby and present the case of Papua was significantly developed as one of its personnel went through a thorough training on lobby and advocacy at the UN level. Moreover, given that we have established a partnership with FI, much work can be done and be followed up through this Geneva-based organisation. Continuation and monitoring are key issues in such work. Otherwise, there will not be any significant outcomes.

SKP was also involved in the meeting of the inter-faith network for West Papua in Geneva discussing the current human rights issues and the strategy to address the problems. The involvement in such a forum needs time and energy.

#### **1.3.4 The 56<sup>th</sup> Sub-Commission on the Protection and Promotion of Human Rights in Geneva, Switzerland**

This year was the first time for SKP to engage the UN Sub-Commission. This involvement derived from the knowledge and skills SKP gathered from the lobby and advocacy training in Geneva. Even though SKP did not send its staff to Geneva, it submitted its written



intervention through its closest partner, *Franciscans International*, focusing on the issue of administration of justice in Papua ([www.hampapua.org/skp/skp04/app-32e.pdf](http://www.hampapua.org/skp/skp04/app-32e.pdf)). We raised the issue of the legal proceedings of the Abepura case, particularly on the panel of judges' dismissal of the claim for compensation made by the survivors. The judges argued that such a claim was not regulated by Law 26/2000 on Human Right Court as the basis of the proceedings.

### **1.3.5 Building a connection with Bangkok**

At the end of the year, SKP had the privilege to participate in Asian Civil Society Forum II. As a regional forum, this gave an opportunity to make contacts with those who were interested with Papua. We had to admit that the level of awareness of Papua among Asian NGOs was remarkably low compared the case of Aceh, for example. This is important to note since we need to analyse why this phenomenon exists, what factors contribute to this fact and how we could raise awareness among Asian NGOs and CSOs.

SKP also learns that Bangkok is a meeting point not only for NGOs and CSOs but also for UN meetings and inter-governmental meetings. This experience enriched SKP to then incorporate such a picture into its consideration when it prepares SKP's annual program for the coming year.

## **2. INFORMATION**

The category of information includes specific agendas, including research, documentation, publication and dialogues with various stakeholders. Some of these programs were the follow-up of the previous year activities whereas some activities were completely new, particularly SKP's website and library.

### **2.1 SKP's website**

As prepared since 2003, this year was marked by an important event when SKP launched its website: [www.hampapua.org](http://www.hampapua.org) containing a wide variety of information ranging from the organisation of SKP, current news, relevant legislation to Papua, historical documents of the 1960s, articles published by SKP, appeals and statements of religious leaders and other reports. This bilingual (Indonesian and English) site manifests SKP's commitment to provide a critical and balanced source of information on the social-political development in Papua for anyone who pays serious attention to have a complete picture of Papua. This website was designed to be a resource of documents on human rights and peace building activities carried out by SKP and its partners rather than a daily news distributor. So those who look for daily events are kindly suggested to look at other websites. Given this website, it is easier for SKP to publish its reports and other relevant sources of information to a wider audience. However, it was important to note that this website was not exclusively reserved for SKP but we had offered this useful means to our SKP colleagues to put their documents on it. So far it is only SKP Merauke which puts its materials on it.

This website is maintained by a staffer who is responsible for other programs so he sometimes finds difficult to update this site on a regular basis.

### **2.2 SKP's human rights library**

It has been a major concern in Papua to have a good resource of information on various issues of human rights, social justice, peace building, advocacy, history of Papua etc. Along with the initiative to establish a website on human rights in Papua, SKP has also developed a modest library on human rights with the support of the Franciscan network. This library contains two categories: written and electronic sources since these days the flow of information goes around in many ways. This library was meant to develop the capacity of SKP's staff so they would be able to do their work more skillful and professional. Of course, it is always a challenge of how to manage and maintain these costly resources given that SKP has only limited personnel with various responsibilities. At this stage, SKP has maximised one staffer, Ms Veni Mahuze, and trained some volunteers to take up the job.

### **2.3 Year Book 2002-2003**

As a follow-up step of the 2003 program, SKP's agenda for 2004 included a plan to publish a yearbook on events in 2002 and 2003 in a single issue. This publication has been part of our partnership with *Lembaga Studi Pers dan Pembangunan/ LSPP* Jakarta since 1999. Due to our personnel constraint, we published our documentation on the two-year events in one single book and some analytical notes in order to inform the public on what happened in

different parts of Papua which was always difficult to follow the whole situation at once (see [www.hampapua.org](http://www.hampapua.org)). Even though this publication is our contribution to document major events in Papua, we have to admit that the distribution of this publication is not always easy since there is no reading culture in Papua as well as in Indonesia.

#### **2.4 Three monthly reports**

Throughout the year SKP published three-monthly reports to monitor the human rights situation in Papua and served as the series of socio-political notes. This is a new method to document daily life events all over Papua focusing on major areas of human rights, including civil and political rights, ecosoc rights, the rights of women and children and the rights of indigenous people. This method is intended to mainstream human rights perspective into our framework. These reports are available both on line ([www.hampapua.org/skp/index2b.html](http://www.hampapua.org/skp/index2b.html)) and in printing for those who do not have access to the internet such as pastoral workers in the inland and SKP's supporting groups at the grassroots. SKP invited Jayapura-based journalists and some NGOs to discuss one of these reports to have comments and suggestions. This activity was intended to encourage others to share their knowledge and concern through publication.

#### **2.5 Work visit to Timika**

The newly appointed Bishop of Timika invited SKP to visit Timika to provide advice on how to establish an SKP office for the Diocese of Timika. Indeed, this area was used to be part of the diocese of Jayapura so that it was part of our responsibility to initiate an office that could deal with the situation in Timika and its interior. Moreover SKP also used this opportunity to assess the situation in Timika in terms of the empowerment of civil society. It seems to us that some key actors in building up the strength of civil society are divided due to vested interests.

#### **2.6 Work visit to Wamena**

Three times in 2004, SKP made visits to Wamena, the capital of Jayawijaya District. SKP continues to maintain its relationship with the tribal chiefs in the Baliem Valley since these people largely contribute to build peace and resolve conflict in this hot spot. This activity was actually a follow-up step of previous year activities when SKP organised these leaders to reflect on the situation and their traditional roles as agents of peace or reconciliation.

SKP also updated its information and knowledge on Wamena, the capital district of Jayawijaya particularly to assess the deteriorating situation in major sectors, such as infrastructure, health, education, transportation, basic needs, public order and most importantly, public trust. SKP gathered significant information from various credible sources that confirm this worrying situation has led to apati

#### **2.7 Dialogue and information sharing with various stakeholders**

As can be seen in the summary of SKP's activities<sup>2</sup> during 2004, a significant amount of time was allocated for dialogues with various stakeholders such as NGO colleagues,

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<sup>2</sup> See appendix: summary of activities by SKP during 2004

representatives of diplomatic missions, parliamentary delegations, domestic and foreign organisations. These activities were rather demanding because most often discussions took place in foreign languages so only limited staff could participate in. Nevertheless, we believe that these dialogues were important to help these institutions to gather as accurate information as possible so that they would be able to better understand the situation and developments in Papua.

### **2.9 Contribution to seminars and conferences**

It is worth mentioning that SKP has been selective in accepting invitations to seminars or conferences (either as a participant or speaker) due to our commitment to our annual program. In 2004, we were involved in 15 seminars/ workshops and 4 conferences both in national and international fora. In part, this activity was quite frequent since one of our staff was based in Australia so he developed connections with relevant and potential partners overseas. All SKP's writings for seminars and conferences' purposes are available in our website ([www.hampapua.org/skp/index2c.html](http://www.hampapua.org/skp/index2c.html)).

### **2.10 Research on Economy, Social and Cultural Rights**

SKP was involved in research on Economy, Social and Cultural Rights organised by a Germany-based Papua network. SKP has contributed to the analysis on three major issues, including [1] demographic development, [2] administration development and [3] public services focusing on education and health sectors. These three analyses have been prepared for future publication around April 2005.

### **3. TRAINING**

This category includes both internal and external training. The first is provided for SKP staff to develop their skills and knowledge to be able to carry out SKP programs; whereas the later is really part of our existence to provide services for the people at the grassroots level. Both sides are inter-related programs.

#### **3.1 Human rights education**

As part of our existence, SKP keeps conducting human rights education for inland communities of Papua. It does not only serve as our direct contact with the people at the grassroots level but it is our commitment to serve the people at the grassroots level and to meet with their needs as far as we could. This year we organised human rights education in the Baliem Valley, Iwur and Abmisibil. In the last two activities, we combined it with our assessment to gather information on the social development in these areas following the establishment of the new district of the Star Mountains under Law 26/2002.

We did that in close collaboration with parish priests and our support groups which had been established in 2000 to work with the people in dealing with daily-life issues. Through these visits, we encountered that more and more people were seriously challenged with new and expected development in their areas following the installment of new districts with their consequences.

#### **3.2 Dialogue with Papuan students**

Throughout the year, one of SKP's staff, Br Rudolf Kambayong ofm, specifically provides assistance, information and advice for university student groups in Jayapura, particularly Kelompok Kerja Realitas Sosial/ KKRS at the Philosophy and Theology College "Fajar Timur" and *Forum Senat Mahasiswa Papua* (Semapa). Several times we were involved in various discussions focusing on the issues of human rights and social-political developments in Papua. With KKRS, we were involved in preparing its annual program and also evaluation processes on a regular basis. These groups were some of strong supporting groups during the rallies in November 2004 advocating the case of Assue.

#### **3.3 Human rights investigation training for SKPs of Papua**

As part of a joint annual program of SKPs of Papua, in June 2004 SKPs of four dioceses in Papua organised investigation training for their own personnel. This program was intended to develop staff capacity to conduct human rights investigations in a more efficient and professional way. For this purpose, SKPs invited two instructors, Ms Sidney Jones (ICG Indonesia) and Mr Roem Topatimasang (INSIST Yogyakarta). Unfortunately, Sidney was expelled from the country due to her activities which were considered against the law so Roem conducted the training on his own. In their evaluation the participants acknowledged the enriching experience as well as the useful skills they learnt from a long experienced instructor.

### **3.4 Internship program**

As part of SKP's partnership program with PBHI Jakarta, SKP conducted an internship program for a university student associated with PBHI Jakarta, Mr Yance Nasira for five weeks. This kind of program was not new for us as we held it previously for other people who had interests to share their experiences, skills and knowledge with us. Yance was involved in some of our programs, such as monitoring the social development in Papua, documenting events in Papua and eventually, involving in a field visit. The plan was a visit to a parish in Puncak Jaya but due to the logistical difficulties and poor communication with local priests, we had to change the plan to Arso and Waris.

This program was intended to maintain Papuan students' awareness of the situation back home while they do some studies outside Papua. Moreover, this program also serves as a means to disseminate current information to other Papuan students and the wider public. However, we acknowledge that we have to re-organise this program this year since our staff also require training and capacity building to be able to do their jobs more efficiently and more productively.

### **3.5 Capacity building for SKP's personnel**

To develop staff capacity, SKP continues to support any activities that strengthen or further explore any available possibilities to maximise its performance, including attending workshops, conferences and training.

- ❖ One of SKP's new staff, Ms Rosa Moiwend, participated in a workshop on media advocacy in Bali organised by INSIST-Yogyakarta that enabled SKP to find new ways to strengthen its work in doing its program. Besides, this workshop was also a medium to explore her capacity in doing advocacy work with SKP.
- ❖ Besides its contribution to disseminate information and concerns of the case of Papua, SKP attended some conferences this year on human rights, peace building, advocacy and indigenous people issues. Ms Frederika Korain represented not only SKP but foremost the religious leaders in Papua during the German Christian Churches in Germany. Br Theo van den Broek shared his knowledge and concerns during the Tribal Council in Biak and the Asian Conference of the Christian Churches in Sukamakmur (North Sumatera) whereas Br Rudolf Kambayong attended the Dayak Conference in Pontianak together with a representative of SKP Sorong. Br Budi Hernawan participated in Asia Civil Society Forum in Bangkok. Besides its participation or contribution to such conferences, SKP had good opportunities to build its staff capacity through their involvement and interaction with other situation, people and organisation.
- ❖ It was a privilege for SKP to participate in a seven-week training at Geneva Training Course that organised lobby and advocacy training at the UN level. One of SKP's staff, Br Budi Hernawan ofm, learned the UN human rights mechanisms that significantly contributed to the work of SKP throughout the year, particularly with

reporting some human rights cases to the UN Special Procedures. This knowledge and skills also enabled SKP to utilise more effectively the available mechanisms to defend the victims' rights.

- ❖ Br Rudolf Kambayong ofm and Mr Yul Gebze representing SKP of Jayapura and Merauke, respectively, participated in the week of peace in Zamboanga, Philippines. This excellent opportunity enabled them to learn how to manage armed and religious conflict in a situation which was quite similar to Papua.

From these experiences, we are very convinced that English language and the knowledge of the UN human rights mechanisms are necessary to do lobby and advocacy work in the international fora. Unfortunately, due to the departure of Br Theo van den Broek, only one staffer is available to do this work and of course, this situation is far from the minimum standard. We hope that another staff will have other opportunities to participate in such training in order to strengthen and maximise the available mechanisms at the UN level to defend the cases of the Papuan peoples.

#### **4. “BUILDING A CULTURE OF PEACE”**

This year SKP peace building was severely disrupted by major factors, particularly of the commitment of senior staff to deal with violent incidents occurred throughout the year. Moreover, the same personnel were also involved in a long-term commitment, such as the selection team of Komnas HAM. However, we managed to get the peace message across the wider audience. Here are some activities related to this particular program.

##### **4.1 Participating in VEM Conference in Iserlohn, Germany**

As requested by the Synod of the Christian Evangelical Church in Tanah Papua, SKP (Ms Frederika Korain) participated in VEM Conference on behalf of the synod of the Christian Evangelical Church (GKI) in Papua. It was really an interesting experience since it manifested the ecumenical work of the christian denominations in Papua to the wider audience, particularly the churches from Asia and Africa. The conference focussed on the theme “Globalisation and Justice, Peace and the integrity of creation, a challenge for the Church”.

The participants reflected on the the impact of globalisation on the people’s lives both in developing and developed countries. Developing countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America have faced a new form of colonialism since these countries are unable to avoid the dependence of technology and knowledge due to the monopoly of the developed countries over these key resources. On the other hand, developed countries face the major issue of how to provide common good for all, for example in Germany where the conference took place. Modern people are more and more overwhelmed with genetically modified food that endanger the people’s health. In this context, the church in Germany was challenged to convey its evangelisation mission.

As part of reflection, the participants also visited Bohumm, a city where Opel company is located. Participants met with the christian priests that look after the labor that were fired since the company relocated its operation in former Yugoslavia to minimise production and labor costs.

##### **4.2 Lenten Campaign 2004**

SKP gained the momentum to disseminate the spirit of peace-building culture when the Secretary of the Diocese requested SKP to provide a reflection material for the Lent season for the whole diocese congregation which reflected on the theme of managing conflict. SKP prepared the material entitled “*Membangun Budaya Damai dan Rekonsiliasi*” (Building culture of peace and reconciliation, see [www.hampapua.org/skp/skp03/op-271.pdf](http://www.hampapua.org/skp/skp03/op-271.pdf)) and held a seminar in February 2004? to discuss this material with the catechists coming from all parts of the diocese. This group was enthusiastic and really encouraged to establish a task force that adapted the material into various levels of age and occupation. It was intended that this material could function not only this year but the coming years since it contained various aspects of peace that each of those can be reflected on and pondered on according to the context where a particular congregation lived.



#### **4.3 Religious leaders and their commitment to peace**

SKP continues to work very closely with the religious leaders of Papua in monitoring the socio-political developments in Papua. For example, as a response to the parliament election we encouraged the religious leaders to release a public statement urging the elected people to be honest, transparent and accountable in doing their jobs as people's representatives ([www.hampapua.org/skp/skp04/app-35i.pdf](http://www.hampapua.org/skp/skp04/app-35i.pdf)). SKP lent a hand to distribute this message across Papua to both district, municipality and provincial house of representatives in July 2004 when most of parliaments were inaugurated.

#### **4.4 International Day of Peace**

The 2004 international day of peace was marked by a popular event in Jayapura when SKP in conjunction with ALDP and some Muslim student organisations held a series of events in Jayapura. This was the third year SKP organised such an event with various partners. SKP held a public theatre and public discussion with the theme of peace, distributed flowers and T-shirts containing peace messages to the public and culminated in a peace prayer in the downtown. This year was organised differently from the previous years since it was characterised by popular activities, low-profile and involving street people.

It was supposed to involve government officials, the military commander and the chief of Police of Papua but they were not willing to come since their protocols insisted formalities which were beyond our intention.

#### **4.5 Meeting with the candidates of President and Vice-President**

As part of its continuous co-operation with the religious leaders, SKP (Br Theo van den Broek ofm) was invited to join in the steering committee to prepare a dialogue between churches' leaders and the candidates of President and Vice-President. This dialogue was held in Sentani, Jayapura, 24-25 August 2004 involving major christian denominations in Indonesia even though the Indonesian Bishops' conference did not send a single representative. President Megawati attended the meeting representing her colleague, Wahid Hasyim, whereas Yusuf Kalla represented his colleague, Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono. During the audience, these church leaders handed over the statement ([www.hampapua.org/skp/skp04/app-34i.pdf](http://www.hampapua.org/skp/skp04/app-34i.pdf)) to these candidates emphasising some key points, including the issues of corruption, protection and promotion of human rights, gross violation of human rights, law enforcement, stigmatisation as a character assassination and the question of the implementation of special autonomy law. Moreover, the leaders clearly asked the candidates to address the problems in Papua.

#### **4.6 Week of peace in Zamboanga, Philippines**

Towards the end of the year, SKP of Jayapura (Br Rudolf Kambayong ofm) and SKP of Merauke (Mr Yul Gebze) had the privilege to participate in the week of peace in Zamboanga, Philippines, 25 November – 9 December 2004. This annual event was organised by Peace Advocacy Zamboanga as a result of the long process in managing conflict in the Southern

Philippines. SKP attended a series of events that manifested the strong commitment to build peace in this troubled area. This opportunity gave us good examples on how to manage armed and religious conflict and how to nurture such an achievement through popular activities, such as discussions on inter-religious dialogues at school level, sharing of family experiences in dealing with religious differences at family level, organising the course of conflict management at university level and creating “parks of peace” to publish peace messages and to provide public space for people.

Apart from these popular activities, SKP visited several organisations that have specific programs on peace building such as SILSILAH that has a special focus on religious conflict, two universities that run program on conflict resolution and IID that focuses on internally displaced people (IDPSs) and marginalised people. The other interesting phenomena we encountered are the joint barrack of the Philippines army and MILF that symbolising concrete peace as well as the world of the indigenous people in this particular area that apply their own system.

## **CLOSING REMARKS**

Based on our activities carried out last year, it is obvious that most of our energy has been absorbed into advocacy and information programs since we have to closely deal with a number of human rights cases and legal court cases as well as doing lobby work to raise public awareness. This fact indicates that the situation of 2004 remains worrying since [1] tension in the Central Highlands continue to exist due to the on-going military operation as well as the conflict over natural resources in the Southern Papua, [2] the impact of the contradicting policy of the division of the province perpetuates the conflict between the local people and local politicians, [3] the increasing criticisms towards the government’s policy and practice in spending of the Otsus money have contributed to the escalation of the conflict among local elite.

Given this situation we continue to build peace culture through various ways targeting different groups in the community, including university students, religious leaders, community leaders, journalists, politicians, NGOs and other interested parties. This continuing effort manifests our vision and mission to promote non-violent movement as our approach to deal with and, as far as we could, to seek remedies to the situation in Papua. Along with approach, we try to strengthen the capacity of the people at the grassroots to be able to follow the development and to decide what the best things for them. Therefore, we provide human rights education and capacity building for them, particularly in the highlands.

In this context, we believe that there are some necessary prerequisites, including nurturing our vision on justice and peace, developing capable personnel to do their jobs, networking with as wide partners as possible and maintaining relationships as well as co-operation with the people at the grassroots.

Last but not least, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to all partners and interested parties who have contributed real supports and encouragement to us throughout the year, and who will accompany us over the years to come. Without this encouraging and continuing support, SKP would not be able to fulfill its mission.

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## Appendix

### Summary of SKP activities in 2004

DATE	ACTIVITY	REMARKS	TYPE
5-11 Jan.	A joint annual meeting of SKPs Papua in Sorong	Sharing ideas and program 2004	Networking
15 Jan.	Meeting with KOMNAS HAM	Exchange of information and concerns	Advocacy
18 Jan.	Discussion with STFT students	Exchange of information and concerns	Information
23 Jan.	Meeting with PBHI Jakarta	Exchange of information and concerns	Networking
24-31 Jan.	Training on Media Advocacy in Denpasar	Developing skills	Training
27 Jan.	Meeting with the European Lobby Group	Sharing ideas and concerns	Networking
27 Jan.	Coalition of Abepura	Exchange of information and concerns	Networking
31Jan-10 Febr.	Attending the VEM Conference in Wuppertal-Germany	Exchange of information and concerns	Information
Jan-June	Work with ICRC to provide humanitarian assistance for the Wamena political prisoners	Humanitarian assistance	Advocacy
1-4 Febr	Meeting with Justice and Peace Commission of the Bishop Conference	Exchange of information and concerns	Networking
4 Febr	Meeting with the Dutch Embassy	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
5 Febr.	Meeting with Cardinal Julius Darma Atmaja	Sharing ideas and concerns	Lobby
6 Febr	Meeting with the secretary of the Australian Franciscan JPIC in Sydney	Description on SKP's work	Networking
9 Febr	Meeting with Caritas Australia in Sydney	Description on SKP's work	Networking
12-13 Febr .	Seminar on the establishment of the Komnas HAM branch office	Sharing ideas and concerns	Advocacy
14-22 Febr.	Attending the Dayak conference in Pontianak	Sharing ideas and concerns	Networking
16 Febr.	Launching SKP's website in Canberra	Database on Papua	Information
17 Febr.	Workshop on the research of conflict resolution Council of Foreign Relations (US) in Jakarta	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
23-24 Febr.	Conference of the Papuan Tribal Council in Biak	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
24 Febr.	Recollection for the Abepura survivors in Jayapura	Trauma counseling	Peace building
25 Febr.	Meeting with Edmund Rice Centre in Sydney	Description on SKP's work	Information
26 Febr.	Moderator seminar of the Abepura case	Description of the Abepura case	Information
March	Launching book <i>Membangun Budaya Damai</i>	Socialisation of peace-building movement	Peacebuilding
1 March	Discussion with the students of the School of Philosophy "Driyarkara" in Jakarta	Description on the situation in Papua	Information
5 March	Preparatory meeting for a seminar on genocide	Sharing ideas and concerns	Networking
6 March-23 April	Internship for a Papuan student at	Developing skills	Training

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8 March	Audience with Bishop Leo	Presentation of SKP's annual program	Information
8 March-26 April	Training on the UN human rights mechanisms in Geneva	Capacity building	Training
8-12 March	Selection team of the Komnas HAM branch office	Sharing ideas and concerns	Lobby
13 March	Public seminar on genocide in Jayapura	Exchange of information and concerns	Information
22 March	Meeting with the German ambassador in Geneva	Description of the Abepura case	Lobby
28 March-April	Lobby and advocacy at CHR in Geneva	Description of the situation in Papua	Lobby & Advocacy
12-14 April	Recollection for the Abepura survivors	Psychological assistance	Peace building
19-21 April	Meeting with the tribal leaders in Wamena	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
25-30 April	Attending the Franciscan Chapter in Wamena	Sharing of ideas	Information
29 April	Discussion with the Franciscan novices in Depok	Description on SKP's work	Information
1-4 May	Meeting with community leaders of Wamena	Strengthening local capacity	Information
24 May	Internal meeting of SKP	Consolidating SKP	Organisation
28 May	Training on internet for SKP staff	Developing skills	Training
30 May	Three-monthly report of January-May 2004	Description of the situation in Papua	Information
1 June	Meeting with the Bintuni students in Jayapura	Sharing ideas	Information
2 June	Meeting with religious leaders of Papua	Description of the situation in Papua	Lobby
3 June	Meeting with STFT students in Abepura	Sharing ideas	Information
6-12 June	Investigation training for SKPs of Papua in Jayapura	Capacity building	Training
15 June	Meeting with the Bintuni students in Jayapura	Exchange of information	Information
16 June	Audience with all bishops of Papua	Presentation of the 2004 annual program of SKPs of Papua	Lobby
18 June	Seminar JPIC in Sukabumi	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
21-27 June	Franciscan JPIC meeting in Kuching, Malaysia	Exchange of information and concerns	Networking
23 June	Discussion on the legal proceedings of the Wamena and Wasior cases	Exchange of information and concerns	Advocacy
24 June	Discussion with Bishop Leo on the Wamena case	Exchange of information and concerns	Advocacy
25 June	Participating in the activities to mark the UN day of campaign against torture	Solidarity campaign	Information
28 June	Intervention to the UN Sub-Commission through FI	Description of the situation in Papua	Lobby
July	Distribution of the religious leaders' statement to the newly elected members of parliaments in Papua	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
4 July	Meeting with RFK Memorial Foundation	Exchange of information	Information
7 July	Meeting with Peace Brigade International	Exchange of information	Information
7 July	Meeting with USAID	Exchange of information	Information
9 July	Launching book of Memoria Passionis 2002-2003	Description of the situation in Papua	Information
10 July	Three-monthly report of April-June 2004	Description of the situation in Papua	Information

13-17 July	Workshop on human rights and peace work in North Sumatera	Description of the situation in Papua	Information
19 July	Launching the new design of SKP's website	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
20-22 July	Preparatory meeting of research on ecosoc problems in Biak	Description of the situation in Papua	Information
22 July	Establishing SKP's human rights library in Jayapura	Building a resource	Information
23 July	Discussion with journalists and NGOs regarding the current development in Papua	Exchange of information and concerns	Information
26 July-2 August	Training for local community in Iwur	Strengthening local capacity & assessment	Training & assessment
5 August	Internal meeting of SKP team	Exchange of information and concerns	Organisation
6 August	Meeting with the German Churches leaders in Jayapura	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
7 August	Meeting with Students Forum of SBY	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
11 August	Steering committee of SBY	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
12 August	Training for SKP librarian	Capacity building	Training
13 August	Steering committee of SBY	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
18 August	Steering committee of SBY	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
19-26 August	Work visit to Timika area	Updating information	Assessment
20 August	Meeting with a representative of the US Embassy	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
21 August	Evaluation of the NGOs coalition for Wamena	Exchange of information and concerns	Advocacy
August	Work visit to Timika	Updating information	Assessment
23-25 August	Meeting between the Church leaders and President an Vice-president candidates in Jayapura	Description of the situation in Papua	Lobby
29 August	Meeting with KKRS in Jayapura	Exchange of information and concerns	Training
2 September	Meeting with an ICMC representative in Jayapura	Exchange of information and concerns	Information
4 September	Preparation of a survey of HIV/AIDS in Merauke	Assessment	Documentation
6-11 September	Franciscan retreat in Sentani	Capacity building of SKP personnel	Peacebuilding
8 September	Preparation of International Day of Peace: meeting with the government	Public campaign of peace	Peace building
9 September	Preparation of International Day of Peace: meeting with the army	Public campaign of peace	Peace building
11 September	Munir	Solidarity campaign	Advocacy
12-16 September	Work visit to Wamena	Assessment	Advocacy
14 September	Evaluation of the NGOs coalition for the Abepura case	Exchange of information and concerns	Advocacy
15-22 September	Attending a pastoral Workshop in Jayapura	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
16-19 September	Selection team of Komnas HAM branch office	Sharing ideas and concerns	Lobby
19-29 September	Franciscan Meeting in Jakarta	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
21 September	EU political meeting in Jakarta	Sharing ideas and concerns	Lobby
21 September	Celebration of the International day of peace in Jayapura	Public campaign of peace	Peace building
21-25 September	Selection team of Komnas HAM branch office	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
28 September	Preparation of a survey of HIV/AIDS in Merauke	Assesment	Documentation
1 October	Meeting with Peace Brigade International	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information

5-10 October	Lobby for the Abepura case in Jakarta	Policy change	Lobby
8 October	Distribution of the 2002-2003 yearbook in Jakarta	Description of the situation in Papua	Information
13 October	Meeting with an ICCO representative	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
15 October	Meeting with ICS Papua in Jayapura	Sharing ideas and concerns	Networking
18-23 October	Training in Abmisibil	Strengthening local capacity & assessment	Training & assessment
23 October	Discussion with KKRS in Jayapura	Strengthening local capacity	Training
26 October	Meeting of the research team on ecosoc problems in Jayapura	Sharing ideas and concerns	Research
27 October	Panel discussion at the Christian Churches	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
28 October	Three monthly report of July-September 2004	Description of the situation in Papua	Information
1-2 November	Meeting with the Dutch embassy in Jayapura	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
4-7 November	Meeting with CIIR in Dili	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
5 November	Internal meeting of SKP team	Consolidating SKP	Organisation
7-14 November	Franciscan JPIC meeting in Singapore	Exchange of information and concerns	Networking
7-11 September	Moderator of an advocacy workshop in Jayapura	Sharing ideas and skills	Networking
12 November	Organising a rally to DPR Papua in Jayapura	Public campaign	Advocacy
13 November	Meeting of the Advocacy Forum for Assue in Jayapura	Exchange of information and concerns	Advocacy
16 November	Meeting of the Advocacy Forum for Assue in Jayapura	Exchange of information and concerns	Advocacy
17 November	Organising a rally to DPR Papua in Jayapura	Public campaign	Advocacy
18 November	Meeting with DPR Papua to establish a fact-finding team of Assue	Lobby of policy change	Advocacy and lobby
19 November	Meeting with Bishop and Custos in Jayapura	Restructuring SKP	Organisation
20 Nov – 11 Dec	Attending ACSF, Advocacy workshop and the meeting of Southeast Asian religious leaders in Bangkok	Exchange of information and concerns	Networking
22 Nov	Meeting with the German embassy in Jayapura	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
24 Nov	Seminar of CSIS	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
25 Nov-1 Dec	International day of anti violence against women and human rights day	Public campaign	Information
25 Nov-9 Dec	Week of peace in Zamboanga, Philippines	Sharing ideas and concerns	Networking
1-3 December	Meeting of the research team on ecosoc problems in Jayapura	Sharing ideas and concerns	Research
6 December	Meeting with the US embassy representative	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
8 December	Meeting with Peace Brigade International in Jayapura	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
13 December	Meeting with a New Zealand embassy representative	Sharing ideas and concerns	Information
16 December	Press conference with ALDP on the Wamena prisoners	Public campaign	Advocacy
28 December	Transfer of SKP directorship	Restructuring SKP	Organisation
29 December	Recollection of the SKP team	Consolidating SKP	Organisation