

NAME OF THE PROJECT: Improved Public Order Management Capacity

BACKGROUND:

Approved in May 2007, the project was designed to strengthen the Sierra Leone Police's capacity to ensure public order and reduce criminality especially during the parliamentary and presidential elections of August and September 2007. The immediate objective of the project was the provision of adequate, modern equipment for the Operational Support Division and the Crowd Control Units.

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Public order during the electoral period was ensured with an increased capacity and morale of SLP through the timely delivery of police uniforms, helmet, torch, extinguishers, shields etc.

CONSTRAINTS/CHALLENGES:

- Due to its corporate policy, a small number of items could not be purchased directly by UNDP. However, through a series of discussions between UNDP, donors, and the government, an agreement was reached on an alternative delivery arrangement.

FINANCIAL STATUS:

Total Budget: \$1,042,564.91

Expenditure: \$ 1,042,564.91

PLANS TO SPEED UP THE DELIVERY:

- The only pending item is the delivery of 805 bags (out of 1000) imported from China to be delivered in April 2008, and non-lethal weapons.