



SCRIPT

UPSOT – girl speaking tentatively in local language

INT. Young girl (Anonymous):

“He came into my room with a machete and threaten to cut my head off if I cried ... then he raped me. After a while, I managed to run out of the house but he followed me and told me ‘not to cry and not to tell anybody, that these things happen’.”

A story no mother ever wants to hear. Her 13-year-old daughter raped at knifepoint.

This mother and daughter have come to a special clinic for victims of sexual violence.

It’s one of four in Burundi, this one funded by ECHO, the European Commission’s Humanitarian Aid Department, with technical assistance from UNICEF. It’s mission: to deal with an alarmingly high number of sex crimes.

Early intervention resulted in this girl’s attacker being caught and jailed awaiting trial.

INT. Mother of young girl (Anonymous):

“I am really sad about what happened to my daughter. We don’t blame her, we don’t say anything. We just care for her as we did before.”

Since it opened six months ago, this clinic in Muyinga Province has treated 95 women and girls, more than half of them under the age of 18.

Run by the Society for Women Against AIDS in Africa, the clinic combines medical care with psychological and legal support as well as HIV counselling and testing.

INT. (Eng): ECHO Representative, Yorgos Kapranis:

“For ECHO it was an interesting proposal ... so far we’re happy with the results it is a delicate issue and taboo we are seeing a steady increase in the women coming to seek help.”

With the support of international partners, Burundi is emerging from the shadow of a dozen years of civil war and ethnic strife.

As part of a national campaign against sexual violence, police and court officials are receiving extra training and a thousand social workers have been mobilised to raise public awareness in sessions like this.

Dealing with sexual violence against the most vulnerable members of the community like this 13-year-old girl, is a crucial step towards a safe and stable society.

This is Dan Thomas reporting for UNICEF. For every child, Advance Humanity.



SHOTLIST

MUYINGA, BURUNDI (APRIL 24-29, 2005) - UNICEF

1. Medium shot mother and daughter, mother listening
2. Close up girl's eye
3. Close up girl's hands on lap
4. Medium shot mother and daughter, mother listening
5. Close up girl's lips moving
6. Close up mother's eyes
7. Medium shot - wide shot, mother and daughter enter doctor's office, back to camera
8. Wide shot outside of clinic
9. Close up ECHO and UNICEF logos
10. Wide shot mother and daughter at doctor's office
11. Close up doctor putting gloves on hand
12. Close up girl lies down to be examined
13. Medium shot INT. with mother: "I am really sad about what happened to my daughter. We don't blame her, we don't say anything. We just care for her as we did before."
14. Wide shot outside of clinic
15. Wide shot people seated in waiting room
16. Wide shot women speaking to a doctor
17. Medium shot doctor listens to a mother and daughter
18. Medium shot, different angle, doctor listens to a mother and daughter
19. Close up daughter in mother's arms
20. Close up doctor's hand over notebook
21. Medium shot INT. with ECHO Representative Yorgos Kapranis: "For ECHO it was an interesting proposal ... so far we're happy with the results it is a delicate issue and taboo we are seeing a steady increase in the women coming to seek help."
22. Wide shot people walking down busy street
23. Medium shot girls walking
24. Wide shot road, people walking
25. Wide shot community workshop, worker speaks to gathered crowd
26. Medium shot community worker
27. Medium shot gathered crowd
28. Medium shot mother and daughter, mother listening

2. UNICEF video news footage 1

SELECT FOOTAGE:

1. Close up girl's hands
2. Close up girl's eyes
3. Close up girl's lips, not moving, smiles
4. Close up - zoom in mother, listening. Ends with close up of eyes
5. Medium shot mother and daughter walk down hall, enter doctor's office
6. Wide shot outside clinic, women walk in
7. Close up ECHO and UNICEF logos on banner
8. Wide shot mother and daughter talking to doctor
9. Close up doctor removes gloves from box, puts them on
10. Wide shot exterior of clinic
- 11 - 12. Medium shot people in clinic waiting room
13. Mother and child with a doctor