Championing Legal Reform for Human Rights and More Effective HIV Response

**Enact New Anti-Discriminatory Laws for Better Access to Services**

The Central African Republic adopted a new HIV law along human rights principles with specific provisions to fight discriminatory practices and lowering the age of consent for HIV testing.

Tajikistan approved a law on equality and prevention of discrimination in all its forms.

Cuba voted to legalise same-sex marriage in a national referendum.

Côte d’Ivoire’s government adopted a human-rights based drug law.

**Repeal Laws Criminalizing HIV Transmission**

Zimbabwe successfully repealed section 79 of its criminal law code that criminalized HIV transmissions and thereby undermined efforts to reduce new HIV infections.

In Gabon a law on imprisonment relating to the criminalization of same-sex sexual activity was removed.

Uzbekistan stopped the adoption of a resolution on mandatory HIV testing for key populations.

**Stop Punitive Laws and Redress Harmful Practices**

The High Courts of St Kitts and Nevis, Antigua and Barbuda and Barbados all ruled to remove discriminatory legal provisions and/or decriminalize same-sex relations.

**Eliminate All Forms of HIV-Related Stigma and Discrimination**

34 countries are now members of the Global Partnership and take action on HIV-related stigma and discrimination across six settings in the next five years.

**Regional Strategic Partnerships Enabling Change**

Regional Judges’ Forums on HIV, Human Rights and the Law in Africa, the Caribbean and Eastern Europe and Central Asia.

Southern Africa Development Community meeting with 11 Ministries of Justice.

Asia and Pacific HIV-related Stigma and Discrimination Community of Practice.

Kenya, Dominican Republic, Botswana, Cambodia and Luxembourg joined the Global Partnership for Action to Eliminate all Forms of HIV-related Stigma and Discrimination in 2022.

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