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" Thebenefit to be expected from giving to women the free use of their faculties, by leaving them the free choice of their employments, and opening to them the same field of occupation and the same prizes and encouragements as to other human beings, would be that of doubling the mass of mental faculties available for the higher service of humanity. Where there is now one person qualified to benefit mankind and promote the general improvement, as a public teacher, or an administrator of some branch of public or social affairs, there would then be a chance of two."

John Stuart Mill: 1869

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ABSTRACT

The theory of representative bureaucracy advocated as a panacea for bureaucratic isolationist tendencies and as a mechanism for ensuring bureaucratic responsiveness to client needs has in recent years gained popularity because of its inherent normative value for enhancing the recruitment and advancement/promotion opportunities of minority groups in public bureaucracy. In Zambia, however, various factors have been found to hinder the attainment of a gender-balanced public bureaucracy. Various deficiencies in the educational system in terms of gender representation and curricula offerings and specializations are reflected in the numerical and sector representation of men and women. Selective recruitment policy based on the merit system is not without subjectivity; and societal values, conservative legislation which reinforce those values, women's extra-organizational roles all impinge on the bureaucratic representation of women. Consequently, not only does the secondary position of women's careers persist but also the power differential existing between men and women in society is reflected and perpetuated in the hierarchies of the service.

CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

The role and significance of public bureaucracy in the modernization process have been generally recognized in developing countries. Development plans almost invariably stress the importance of transforming them from institutions for maintaining the status quo to those capable of stimulating change and innovation. Their transformation into institutions that can initiate as well as administer development policy programmes and projects has been accompanied by various measures and mechanisms to make them responsive to the public they serve. This study focuses specifically on one such mechanism suggested as a panacea against the misuse of administrative power - representative bureaucracy-with specific reference to gender balancing.

Among the various sources of bureaucratic power are first, the growth in size of government departments, the expansion of government social services and the complexity of policy issues of modern government, only a minor portion of which the minister can subject to his personal consideration and scrutiny. He relies on his senior officials who exercise a great amount of judgement and discretion in resolving a major portion of those technical policy issues, the preparation of briefs, speeches, the interpretation and synthesis of large volumes of information. For, as Kingsley (1944 : 275) notes, " facts are never neutral when they are

put to use ... even to state them is to indicate conclusions".

Secondly, the development and growth in delegated legislation, an important and direct consequence of the increasing complexity of government policy issues, have increased the minister's dependence on his senior official. For lack of time and specialized knowledge, Parliament is often unable to develop all bills in their entirety. It, therefore, empowers the minister to work out details of various draft legislature and the role of the senior official in accomplishing this task has accorded him a large degree of legislative powers.

Thirdly, although dismissal from office has become more frequent in recent times, the relative permanence of the senior bureaucrat in office accords him an advantage over the minister who is subject to either recall by dissatisfied voters, or becomes more often than the public servant, a victim of reshuffles. The latter, therefore, requires and depends on the cooperation of his senior officials whose firm ideas on the operation of a department may help or hinder, influence and shape the development and outcomes of programmes.

Past concerns to control administrative power had been, by and, large limited to the separation of policy and politics from administration (Wilson, 1987). The acknowledgement of the illusory nature of these attempts

prompted the advocacy of other mechanisms such as the acceptance of the fellowship of science (Friedrich, 1940), professionalism (Simon, 1957), the supremacy of law (Lowe, 1967), the development of "profession-like attitudes" (Odegard, 1971), and representative bureaucracy (Kingsley, 1944).

In general terms, advocates of the theory of representative bureaucracy such as J. Donald Kingsley (1944) and Paul Van Riper (1958) submit that to be self-regulating and responsive to citizens, and for the sake of societal stability, it is essential that the socio-economic composition of public bureaucracy mirrors that of society as a whole. The basic assumption is that people of a particular social group share like attitudes and values. Therefore, given a bureaucracy that consists of representatives of all major social groups, policy outcomes would reflect the concerns of society in general. Proponents of the theory share the conviction that out of the heterogeneity of attitudes and values emerges democratic decisions.

The ideal of representative bureaucracy has gained popularity in recent years and is among the preferred mechanisms of democratizing public administration because of its distinctive features to be discussed in latter pages of this study.

Demands for Representativeness in Zambia.

Demands for representativeness in public bureaucracy had focused exclusively on race and tribe, and it was not until the 1980s that gender emerged as a significant issue in the consideration of the degree of representativeness of the Zambian public bureaucracy.

Initially, Zambianization involved not only a process of making bureaucracy representative in terms of race by replacing European colonial officials with indigenous officials but also a transformation of the structures of the service to reflect the ideology and policies of an independent nation (Lungu, 1980). For example, in keeping with the espoused ideal of participatory democratic administration, rigorous decentralization measures were undertaken between 1967 and 1969 with the creation of provincial, district and village politico-administrative councils, and President Kaunda declared that:

"when I next appoint a senior civil
it's because he is a loyal party-man.
All appointments I will make are going
to be political" (Times of Zambia,
1968, quoted in Nwabueze, 1974: 180).

Although politicization of public bureaucracy constitutes an inevitable feature of one-party states, in many African countries its role as a control mechanism of public bureaucracy is noteworthy. According to Lochfie (1967) there existed a power and authority imbalance between

bureaucrats and politicians as a result of a "talent gap" between the two in the immediate post-independence period and politicization of the service has been a means of redressing that imbalance. In Zambia, policies are initiated by the Party and all decisions announced in the name of the "Party and its Government". While this implies an associate position of administration, more importantly, it stresses its subordinate position to the Party as well.

Other demands for a representative bureaucracy in Zambia in the post-independence period were expressed in the form of charges launched by the Lozi-based United Party, that government machinery was dominated by the Bemba*

"There are 73 tribes in Zambia and their interests must be balanced. But look at this arrangement. The President, the Vice-President, the Chairman of the Public Service Commission-which deals with Promotions of Civil Servants, Teaching Service Commission - which deals with promotion of teachers, the Police Service Commission-which deals with the promotion of police, University Council of Zambia and the Judiciary Service Commission belong to one tribe... The same tribe has majority of Permanent and Under Secretaries than any other tribes. It has more people in the Foreign Service than other tribes. It has more Directors in charge of Departments and semi-Government organizations such as Zambia Railways, Zambia Broadcasting Services and the Commission of Traffic Departments, etc. Does it mean that they are the most dedicated ones than other tribes? It is also estimated that the same tribe has nearly 150 people in the executive and higher positions of office in the Public Service. The Tongas, the Ngonis and the Lozis next range between 30 and 50 people each in similar positions. (The Mirror, 1968: 3, quoted in Dresang, 1974, 1610).

Demands for ethnic or tribal representation are almost invariably based on particular ethnic groupings percentage share of the total population rather than its share of educated and qualified persons available for recruitment into public bureaucracy (Dresang, 1974). It is also probable that an under-presented group may not proffer any charges of under-representation or demand representation precisely because of its negligible share of educated and qualified persons who may act as its spokespersons. Women in Zambia, for example, constitute approximately 52 per cent of the country's population but for this and a variety of other reasons discussed in later chapters, they have only recently become vocal in their demands for equal representation in public bureaucracy.

The women's Brigade, the women's political arm of the United National Independence Party (UNIP) was instrumental in obtaining paid maternity leave for working women, now enacted in the Laws of Zambia Chapter 512 (Kankasa, 1974). More recently, at the joint Mindolo Ecumenical Foundation and the Zambia Association for Research and Development Conference, in March 1985, specific demands presented to the Government leadership included the equal representation of men and women on all committees instituted to consider reforms in the country, and more importantly, on the Central Committee of

* The Bemba are one of the four major ethno-regional groups in Zambia. The other three are Nyanja, the Tonga and Lozi.

of the Party. Another significant demand was the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the eradication of all forms of discrimination against women, which was effected by the government the same year, in 1985.

It is significant that unlike tribal and racial representation, demands for gender-balancing by women has not been restricted to their numerical presence alone. There have been demands for a fair share of responsibilities and the accompanying rewards and status in the various categories and levels of employment commensurate with educational and other qualifications such as seniority.

... in the civil service women with similar qualifications as their male counterparts are still at principal or assistant secretary level while their male counterparts have gone beyond, some even to the post of permanent secretary (Monze, 1985, quoted in Kahsilira: 3).

In their efforts to create and increase awareness of their state of under-representativeness in public administration women in Zambia recognize the dominant role of the Chief Executive and the authority of the Party-UNIP - in initiating programmes and changes in society, and have deliberately made efforts to coopt political leadership in that endeavour. For example, in June 1985, female representatives of the news media in Zambia, in collaboration with their counterparts from other countries in Africa, Europe and America, discussed with President Kaunda, their

concerns for equal representation of women in all sectors of national life.

Such concerns and demands for equal representation highlight the need for investigation into the problem of the under-representation of females in public administration in Zambia, and some of the factors that contribute to it.

DEFINITION OF THE RESEARCH PROBLEM

The theory of representative bureaucracy provides for a bureaucracy that is not only open but also affords all entrants equal opportunity for advancement. These provisions correlate to the Zambian Government's policy ideal of promoting equal opportunity for all, ensuring the representation of all sectors of society in the governance and administration of the country, and the effective utilization of human resources.

Women in Zambia, however, constitute a resource that is marginally utilized. While they constitute about 52 per cent of the country's potential labour force only 39.5 per cent are classified as economically active. And out of a total urban working population of 430,330 only 19.1 per cent or 82,068 are women and of these only 7.7 per cent* are in the modern production sector with the majority concentrated in the tertiary sectors.

* Government of Zambia (GRZ), Central Statistical Office
1980 Population Census.

A cursory observation of the Zambian bureaucracy reveals a generally higher degree of representation of men than women with a preponderance of the latter in lower ranks and their corresponding scarcity in higher ranks. At the same time certain departments seem to have larger concentrations of women than men. One is inclined to conclude that there is vertical as well as horizontal segregation** of occupations in such departments as nursing and social services.

But assuming that candidates of both genders on entry into the service possess the appropriate requisite qualifications, what then accounts for the consistent numerical wastage of women the higher the ranking of positions?

** Catherine Hakim defines vertical occupational segregation as the concentration of men in higher grades and women in lower grades of specific occupations and vice versa. She defines horizontal occupation segregation as the concentration of men and women in different types of jobs. (Occupational Segregation: UK Department of Employment Research Raper, 1979: Nov., p 19.)

Do recruitment and advancement policies - merit, performance and seniority - apply equally to entrants of both genders into the higher service? What other structures and factors external to public bureaucracies may be responsible for the high wastage rate of women in higher ranks of the service? These and other questions stimulate the following guiding hypothetical statements and form the basis of this study.

GUIDING HYPOTHETICAL STATEMENTS

The study is based on the following two main assumptions:

1. That the Zambian public bureaucracy is representative of men and under-representative of women.
2. That there is vertical and horizontal occupational segregation in the Zambian public bureaucracy.

Other working assumptions are:

- (a) That women's careers take a secondary position to men's careers;
- (b) that consequently certain services structures and policies favour men and discriminate against women, thus inhibiting their advancement;
- (c) that certain external structures are also discriminatory against women and inhibit their advancement in the service;

- (d) that educational opportunity is reflected in opportunity in the service, and
- (e) that there is a high degree of awareness of sexual harassment as an obstacle to recruitment and advancement.

Based on these guiding hypotheses, the study analyzes the numerical representation of men and women in the administrative and management groups of selected public bureaucracies and within the various levels or divisions of those bureaucracies, paying attention, at the same time, to the numerical share of each gender of the pool of qualified personnel available for recruitment and promotion into those administrative and management groups.

The study also explores recruitment and promotion policies which either separately or in combination with socio-cultural factors impede the employment opportunities and advancement of women and enhance those of men in the administrative and managerial groups of the public service. The selection of the higher bureaucracy as the main focus of the study is based on its generally recognized impact on policy outcomes and the concern to find mechanisms of exacting accountability and responsiveness from it.

ORGANIZATION OF THE STUDY

The study comprises four chapters. Chapter one which includes the introduction, reviews the literature on the theory of representative bureaucracy, studies on the socio-economic backgrounds of higher civil servants as well as some of the theses on the obstacles to the representation of women in education and employment.

This chapter also describes the sampling procedures for public bureaucracies and respondents. The field work, treatment of data and various procedural problems that affected the sampling and data collection are also discussed.

In chapter two, the results and observations from the study are analysed. This chapter also focuses on the various aspects of recruitment and promotion policies and their effects on the representation of the genders.

Chapter three deals with other related obstacles to gender balancing in public bureaucracy. Respondents suggestions and the feasibility of those suggestions for the enhancement of a gender balanced public service is also analysed.

Chapter four ends the study with concluding remarks and recommendations drawn from the research.

It is hoped that findings of this endeavour will not only contribute to the available data for future manpower planning, but also establish gender as a significant

variable, in addition to socio-economic ones, in measuring the representativeness of public bureaucracies.

It is also expected that this study will shed some light on the extent to which various social structures, and socio-cultural factors hinder or enhance the applicability of the Zambian government's Humanist ideal of equal opportunity to all groups in the society. It is also expected that the study will provoke thoughts on future research on those social structures and socio-cultural factors that have only received preliminary examination as obstacles to the applicability of the ideal of social equality for all.

WOMEN AND REPRESENTATIVE BUREAUCRACY

Review of Related Literature

The first comprehensive analysis of the theory or representative bureaucracy was by Kingsley (1944). Like other proponents of the theory, Kingsley noted the overrated importance and the corresponding limited effectiveness of mechanistic forms of control of administrative behaviour. Responsibility, he argues, is psychological and, therefore, responsible administrative behaviour cannot be sought through solely mechanical means.

It is to be sought in an identity of aim and point of view in a common background of social prejudice which leads the agent to act as though he were the principal (Kingsley, 1944 : 282).

As insurance against the misuse of administrative power by bureaucrats and the use of bureaucratic machinery by dominant and powerful forces in society for the furtherance of their own corrupt ends, bureaucrats must share a common background and "social prejudice" and share these same attributes with those dominant and powerful elements in society. Kingsley argued that the British Civil Service was representative of the "middle classes", the dominant forces of the society and the direct result of this class-bias has been the absence of demands for reforms in society and the service that would favour other "classes".

Riper (1958), on the other hand, defined representative bureaucracy as one that consists of not just elements of the dominant groups in society but one that is composed of a "reasonable cross section of society" in terms of such criteria as occupation, class, geography, and one which mirrors the ethos and attitudes of the larger society from which it is drawn. He thus gave the concept a much broader meaning than Kingsley did.

A bureaucracy that is so broadly representative is able to correct a major deficiency in the political system which ordinarily cannot effectively provide for the representation of all the important interests in society. Bureaucracy is thus assigned the role of filling that vacuum (Long, 1952), thereby promoting democracy in society.

A common assumption by proponents of the theory is the relevance and influence of pre-occupational socialization on bureaucrats' behaviour in office. As Finer (1973 : 49) succinctly indicates, memories of "misery, hunger, squalor, bureaucratic oppression and insecurity" should add a quality to the work of higher civil servants who will in effect not fail to impress the minister at a loss for a policy or an argument.

But these values and attitudes borne out of pre-occupational socialization are difficult to measure and, therefore, such secondary criteria as education, geographical origin or ethnicity, social status and occupation which help determine socialization patterns of social groups are used to measure the representativeness of public bureaucracies. The more these criteria match or mirror those of society from which bureaucrats are drawn, the more representative a bureaucracy is assumed to be.

Using the above variables in his study, Subramaniam (1967) agreed with Kingsley's finding that the British higher civil service was representative of the middle class. Like Kingsley he enumerates such advantages as age, intelligence, a certain required level of education and a general predilection for competitiveness, all of which favour the middle class in their accessibility to the higher service. In Britain, however, these advantages were "soft-pedalled" by higher civil service recruitment policies and procedures.

...any system which recruits university graduates in their early 20s is bound to give a striking advantage to the middle class and peasantry (Sabramanian 1967: 1010-1019).

Subramaniam considers such occupational groups as shopkeepers/businessmen, governmental employees (including the army) business employees, professionals, and skilled workers as middle-class. Unskilled workers, agricultural workers and farmers are not classified as middle-class.

In America the same advantages were soft-pedalled by the social ethos of universalism, achievement and merit orientation, while in some colonial countries, such as India and Turkey, the middle-class was artificially created in response to Western influence. They, however, enjoyed the same middle-class advantages which were in turn soft-pedalled by the influence of a traditional predilection for sons to follow their fathers' professions.

In spite of the common background of the dominant middle-class in the British civil service, however, it was by no means a homogeneous group. It consisted of sub-groups some of which Kingsley referred to as the "forgotten men - and women", who as a matter of established policy were treated differently from other groups.

The forgotten men were the professional groups or experts, who were not only excluded from controlling posts of the administrative hierarchy, and their advice disregarded in decision making, but also received lower remuneration

compared to their administrative counterparts. In short, the expert was a "sort of step-child regarded without enthusiasm by his administrative colleagues" (Kingsley 1944 : 180).

Similarly, women were discriminated against in three different ways. Firstly, they were excluded from certain branches of the service, and there were a number of higher service positions that were considered male preserve. Secondly, women were forced to retire upon marriage; and thirdly, their remuneration was much lower than men in similar and comparable work.

Kingsley's conclusion that the British higher civil service was representative of the middle class, therefore, requires dilation. His thesis was that "administrative arrangement always reflect the character of the social structure of a nation". He furnishes a great deal of evidence to support the claim that the service was generalist oriented and this was fully complemented by societal regard for the generalist as superior to the expert. Similarly, although women had "gained political equality ... it has been laid like a veneer upon a structure of social and economic inferiority" (Kingsley 1944 : 183). The forgotten men and women, therefore, may have been a component part of the dominant middle class but were under-represented in public bureacucracy for lack of either social or economic power.

Although Kingsley's definition of representative bureaucracy is logically argued, it has not been as popular as Van Riper's definition which for lack of precision is liable to be interpreted as narrowly or as widely according to whim, caprice and ideology, and although the theory on the whole has a number of deficiencies, it has, nonetheless, recently gained much appeal among those concerned with the plight of minority groups as well as under-represented majority groups. Some of the deficiencies are discussed in the next sections.

Socio-Economic Groups

It is not clear from the literature whether representation in bureaucracy should involve numerical proportion reflecting groups in society or whether representation of each social group should be based on its share of available candidates with the requisite ability and expertise. The former interpretation would suggest that ability need not be the most pertinent consideration, and conceivably, this would be unacceptable and incompatible with merit systems that characterize modern bureaucracies.

However, merit systems, when applied in a straight-arrow manner, could further aggravate the problem of unrepresentativeness in public administration due to unbalanced distribution of social facilities like education, conselling, and disabilities like language or lack of experience (Mosher, 1982).

Van Riper's definition of representative bureaucracy which provides for the representation of a "reasonable cross section of the body-politic" on the other hand, is imprecise enough to accommodate the seemingly impracticable and impossible task of ensuring the representation of, for example, the 73 ethnic groupings in Zambia, within the confines of the merit system. It also leaves much room for manipulation and choice as to which groups should be represented and the degree of their representation in public bureaucracy in numerical terms and at specific levels and sectors.

Representativeness: The Passive Mode

Mosher, in defining the term, identifies two modes of representativeness, the passive and active modes. The former concerns the degree to which bureaucrats' socio-economic attributes are a reflection of those of society as a whole. The latter is dealt with a little later in this chapter. The more those statistically measurable attributes correlate with those of society, the more representative a bureaucracy and the greater the assurance of the absence of a single dominant group from which members of the service are drawn. A broadly representative bureaucracy, in terms of those attributes, also is one that is open and to which "most

people have access" and augurs for equal opportunity for the advancement of all entrants.

The concern for a broadly representative bureaucracy in some western countries has been expressed in the form of such government interventionist policies as affirmative action programmes and the quota system. But the effectiveness of such interventionist policies is limited because firstly, adherence to affirmative action programmes is voluntary and secondly, such programmes operate alongside established recruitment policies which are highly selective and have been found to be subjective. Thirdly, various reasons such as the non-availability of candidates with the requisite qualification and concern for maintaining or increasing efficiency could be cited for non-adherence of the quota system in the absence of stringent system of policing or supervision.

Recent court rulings in favour of those claiming to be victims of reverse discrimination, as in the case of Bakke vs University of California, Davis, USA, in 1972 (although strictly a case of racial representation) illustrates the following important points: first, that government interventionist policies are often not necessarily accompanied by any general attitudinal change in society and therefore lack general support. Secondly, such environmental

factors as the general worsening economic situation or inflation often contribute to the limited effectiveness of affirmative action programmes. But, it also seems that interventionist policies have a chance of survival if there is ideological support from leadership. This is what differentiated the programme's marked success as a means of enhancing the education and employment opportunities of the disadvantaged during the Carter regime and its limited success in recent years in the United States of America.

The disadvantaged position of women has been attributed to traditional attitudes towards the role of women in society and gender-biased socialization practices which reinforce sex-stereotyping (Boserup, 1970). Basow (1980) defines sex-role stereotypes as those "oversimplified conceptions pertaining to our behaviour as females or males". She cites a number of studies to support her statement that sex-role stereotypes are socially and culturally defined and are learned responses.

For example, studies by Broverman, Vogel, Clarkson and Rosenkrantz, (1972), Ashmore and Bel Boca, (1979), Fonshee, Helmreich and Spence (1979), all show, firstly, that respondents irrespective of gender view the "typical man and woman as distinctly different from each other on various masculine and feminine traits". While males were considered objective, aggressive, ambitious, competitive and not emotional, females were considered passive, illogical,

emotional, not ambitious, submissive and home-oriented. Thus characteristics attributed to females were the exact opposites of those attributed to males.

Secondly, those traits attributed to males were considered by both males and females as "socially desirable" while a distinct negative bias was demonstrated towards female traits. Although these findings are significant it is also important to point out the methodological problems of these studies. The questionnaires ask about "relative rather than absolute beliefs". Consequently similarities in male-female traits are minimized while differences are exaggerated. Also the checklist responses used in such studies tend to illicit responses based on one's belief rather than actual traits.

There have been studies on the effects of sex-role stereotyping. Basow cites the self-fulfilling prophesy effect, as axamined by Snyder, Tanke and Bercherd (1977). Briefly stated, their findings are that because females are expected to be less rational than males, they actually view themselves that way and consequently desist from participating in problem-solving activities, since such behaviour and role would otherwise be regarded as inappropriate. Therefore, if expectations are positive they will influence behaviour positively and negative expectations will influence behaviour negatively.

The second effect of sex-role stereotyping is through impression management. (Zanna and Pack 1979 in Basow 1980) People, according to the researchers want to be socially acceptable and will "engage in impression management strategies" to obtain that social acceptance. In other words people try to behave in a way they consider acceptable to another person.

Where and how do these stereotypes develop? Basow suggests a critical look at the social context within which a child develops because "a study of human behaviour requires a study of the social contents in which people move, the expectations as to how they will behave, and the authority that tells them who they are and what they are supposed to do". (Western, 1969, cited in Basow 1980 : 135). The social context, however, need not be direct or deliberate to influence behaviour. Its influence can be a "function of non-conscious ideology". Language, play activities, the media, school, religion and the work place all communicate to people explicitly or implicitly sex-roles. For example women are referred to by such titles as "dame" and "madam" which have double meanings while 'lord' and 'sir' on the other hand do not.

Play activities dictate sex-role appropriate behaviour. Female children play with dolls, and household goods, while male children are encouraged to play with trucks, building blocks and scientific kits. While the latter encourage males

to be creative, the former "do not make many cognitive demands or prepare girls for any occupational future except the role of motherhood" (Basow, 1980: 138). Implicitly or explicitly messages are communicated that careers for females are not as important for females as they are for males and childcare not as important for males as it is for females.

The media-television, radio, - books, films, songs and art are considered to be the most pervasive sources of sex-role stereotyping. Children's programmes depict men fighting "grizzly bears" while women stay at home. "Since children are trying to understand sex-role appropriate behaviour and the world around them, they are especially vulnerable to these distorted images". (Basow, 1980: 152).

In religion, as well, the sexes act in "ways consistent with traditional patriarchal society". In religious hierarchies, power and prestige are almost exclusively a male domain. In schools, textbooks, curricula offerings, counselling, school organization and the general atmosphere combine to form a "hidden curriculum on sex-role" (Basow 1980: 159).

Achola (1983) attributes to socialization patterns the unequal access of women to educational opportunities and women's wastage at high levels of the educational structure in Zambia. Female student population has decreased noticeably at secondary levels of education in absolute and proportionate terms and female teacher population during the

decade 1970-80, also represented less than 40% of the total teacher population in Zambia with most of this percentage in rural areas.

Indeed, where females students remain in school long enough, they are taught such practical subjects as needlework, housewifery, cookery and office practice, while for males there are such subjects as metalwork, woodwork and technical drawing (Bardouille, 1981). Women are thus brought up to believe that "marriage and children are their destiny in life, with paid employment only a possible interlude between school and children" (Brimelow, 1981 : 319).

The wastage rate of women in education and their limited fields of specialization at lower levels of education are carried over to higher levels. Eventually, there tends to be a concentration of females in certain fields of employment, particularly those that require the so-called innate capability of women to serve mankind, (Sullerot, 1987) and secretarial work.

The broad based pyramidal structure of the representation of women in education as a result of their wastage at higher levels is reflected in public bureaucracy in many countries. In Sweden 73.4 percent of women in public service are in ranks rated one to nine, the lowest ranks, while 73 per cent of men occupy higher ranking positions rated ten to twenty-seven. In Germany, the percentage

distribution of women follows the same pattern. In Class one - the highest level-women constitute 1.2 per cent of incumbents, in Class two, 2.2 per cent, in Class three 13.4 per cent, and in the lowest level or the clerical division women constitute 77.1 per cent of incumbents. In France 63 per cent of the positions in the clerical division in 1962 were filled by women (Sullerot, 1971: 48).

Meier's (1975) finding in his study of the American civil service provides further evidence to support this tendency of the under - representation of women in higher levels of bureaucracy and also their concentration in some departments and their scarcity in others.

Archibald (1973: 16) attributes all this to a "deliberate gerrymandering of equal work" as well as shortening of the career ladder for female occupations "not to make it easier for them to climb but to purposefully slow their ascent". With reference to the Canadian Public Service, the minimum requirement for a social worker, composed of 73 per cent females, was a masters degree with a maximum salary of C\$ 12,875. A Welfare Programme Officer (96 per cent male), on the other hand, required only a first degree with a maximum salary of C\$ 21,428.

As a result of the gerrymandering of occupations by biological and sociological factors, there is a concentration of women in certain occupations. The phenomenon of horizontal segregation, therefore, characterizes certain

jobs. Since the career ladder for those feminized occupations are short a preponderance of females tend to occupy positions that are subordinate to men, with the latter doing the hiring, firing, supervision and the promotion of women. Thus vertical segregation tends to occur and could be regarded to result from horizontal segregation.

Archibald's theory can be extended a little further, that education does not proportionately improve the status of women in those feminized jobs. There is not only the tendency to inflate educational requirements for those jobs but also to offer them at lower remuneration. The pay and status of feminized occupations decline over a period of time. As Boserup rightly notes when women enter any industry, job or profession in great numbers, the field itself becomes feminized. In other words those jobs acquire or become identified with the low status of females.

There are various barriers that are erected to prevent the encroachment of one sex-group into the occupational territory of the other. Some of the barriers are in the form legislation. Others are less explicit. Sexual harassment has been identified as an example of the less explicit barriers and has been defined as

unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favours and other verbal or physical conduct of sexual nature (Mastalli, in Harvard Business Review 1981)

The definition encompasses jokes, teasing,that have sexual connotations, and all these are actionable if the submission to such harassment is either:

- a) explicitly or implicitly made conditional to an individual's employment, or
- b) the submission or rejection to it serves as the basis for promotions and transfers, and its effect can be shown to be the "unreasonable" interference with an individual's work performance or the creation of an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment. (Mastalli, quoted in Collins and Blodgett 1981 Harvard Business Review)

According to the above definition, sexual harassment takes both verbal and physical forms and it is unwanted by the individual to whom it is directed. A joint study by the Harvard Business Review and Redbook Magazine on Sexual Harassment in the Workplace (1981) indicates that there are differences in perception of what constitutes sexual harassment between men and women, on the one hand, and between higher level and lower level management on the other hand. Responses to the question whether sexual harassment in the workplace is exaggerated were aggregated as follows:-

	<u>Agree or Partly Agree</u>	<u>Disagree or Partly Disagree</u>
A.		
Top Management	65%	22%
Middle Management	52%	30%
Lower-Level Management	44%	40%
B.		
Women	32%	52%
Men	66%	17%

Source: Harvard Business Review 1981

Reasons offered by the researchers to account for the responses being parallel are, firstly, that a lower proportion of respondents in the survey belonged to higher level and middle level management. Secondly; sexual harassment may not take place in the presence of high level management. Does this imply that sexual harassment is a lower level management syndrome?

The third explanation is even more insightful. According to the researchers men may not "see it" as sexual harassment. Although females were aware of the existence of and what constitutes sexual harassment their responses to the following statement

"My supervisor (a man I work with) starts each day with a sexual remark. He insists it's an innocent social comment". - (Harvard Business Review 1981:85)

underline the relevance of social conditioning and socialization to the perception of sexual harassment and sex-role behaviour. The responses included the following

- Men are expected to do such things.
- Women are expected to have to cope with that type of behaviour.
- Sexual innuendo, risque jokes and flirtations are a natural part of the male-female relationship inside and outside the office.

Mastalli's definition also pre-supposes the existence of

unequal power relationships which facilitates sexual harassment. It indicates that coercion may be effected firstly, through an employer's, manager's, or supervisor's power implicit in his position alone. Secondly, the power may be exhibited or communicated explicitly through the employer's, manager's, or supervisor's ability to impose such penalties as firing or dismissal, negative performance reviews, lack of promotion and withholding of pay increases.

"The power phenomenon is not necessarily restricted to men...." (Harvard Business Review, 1981:81) However, in view of the broad based pyramidal structure of the representation of women in public service, which is indicative of their share of power, and the social conditioning of the genders on their expected sex-roles, it becomes highly unlikely that females would make persistent unwanted overtures that are power-based. It is an abuse of power that can be unhealthy organizationally as well as a real and potential obstacle to recruitment, advancement and therefore, the achievement of representativeness in the passive mode in public bureaucracy.

Representativeness: The Active Mode

The second component of representativeness, according to Mosher, involves administrators advocating the interests of those groups they represent. Although proponents of the theory of representative bureaucracy seem to emphasize the passive mode of representation, their concern for active representation is implicit in their acknowledgement of the

fact that administrators no longer serve the passive role of implementing policies handed down to them from a higher authority. Responsiveness in the active sense requires administrators

... to be perceptive and sensitive to the public and to press for programmes that will address these needs (Lungu, 1983 ; 15)

In fulfilling this active role, vertical agencies in France, sponsoring departments in Britain, and clientelle or regulatory agencies in America have been objects of mass media criticism of harbouring strong sectional interests, thus becoming quasi-extensions of those interest groups. On the other hand, in developing countries, where the responsibility of promoting public welfare lies solely with national governments, it seems that the degree of active representativeness expected of bureaucrats is higher. They are required to " anticipate and search into public problems and adjust their programmes to meet the changing needs of a diverse public" (Lungu, 1983 : 5), but within the confines of national ideology and development plans.

Mosher's identification of the two modes of representativeness, it must be borne in mind, is strictly theoretical. One can conjecture, however, that his option and the emphasis by the other proponents of the theory on passive representativeness are attempts to accomplish the task of reconciling responsiveness and the public service

norm of non-partisanship. And Mosher is quick to point out that neither mode of representativeness guarantees democratic decision making. Again, there seems to be a deliberate avoidance by Mosher of any involvement in the bureaucratic pre-occupational - post - occupational socialization controversy, the most important element of the theory, upon which its effectiveness as a mechanism of ensuring administrative responsiveness and controlling administrative behaviour rests.

Pre-Occupational - Post - Occupational Socialization and Representative Bureaucracy

Finer's post-war optimistic assertions on the influence of bureaucrats' earliest memories on their behaviour in office is an example of proponents' assumption of the influence of administrators' pre-occupational socialization on their decision making. Kelsall (1955 : 189) in his study of the socio-economic backgrounds of higher civil servants in Britain censured them "for being cautious, for lack of drive, and personal vitality, for having a negative attitude of mind, for smugness and complacency, for being out of touch with working class problems and ignorant of recent advances in both the natural and social sciences". His prescription for making public service responsive was an injection into the dominantly "middle class" service spokespersons of the working class.

Robinson (1955) like Mosher cautions that

"there is not much reason to suppose that the sons of working class parents, irrespective of how they enter the civil service will necessarily press for the interest and desires of workers any more than sons of middle or upper class parents (Robinson, 1955 : 15).

Among the variables one would have to contend with in establishing a causal relationship between pre-employment socialization and bureaucrats' behaviour in office are the length of time a bureaucrat spends in the organization, the time separating him from his background, the nature and intensity of post-occupational socialization and his position in the bureaucratic hierarchy (Mosher, 1982).

Various studies have highlighted some of these pertinent variables. For example, in the post-independence period in India, when "parliamentary traditions" were being evolved in an environment of political and social conflicts and uncertainties, bureaucracy became a convenient scape-goat for all types of failures, and failings, especially corruption. Consequently, bureaucrats became more regulation-bound, self-segregated and expressed attitudes that were markedly different from those of the population (Taub, 1969). Panandiker and Kshirsagar also provide evidence to show the relevance of the administrator's position in the hierarchy to his behaviour in office. They contend that the higher the bureaucrat's position and the more vertical promotions he had enjoyed the more informal and the less rule-oriented his behaviour. Although it seems

obvious that the higher the position, the more discretionary powers the bureaucrat enjoys and the easier and safer it becomes to deviate from rules and regulations, it is also important to consider whether the bureaucrats belong to the group Kingsley refers to as the "forgotten men and women". Thus, additional relevant factors would be the gender of bureaucrats and whether they are experts or generalists.

Dresang (1974) found other pertinent variables in his study of the Zambian higher public service. His analysis of provincial development allocations and expenditures suggested the absence of any attempt to favour particular provinces or regions. He also pointed out that besides ideological constraints on the bureaucrats' discretionary powers and the existence of "policy requirements on specific issues", the siting of most development projects were guided mainly by geographical distribution of essential raw materials.

Since cotton is not readily grown in Western Province, for instance, a Lozi Cotton Officer can do little to act partially for his area (Dresang, 1974 ; 1613).

Another aspect of Dresang's study was the relationship between ethnicity and entrepreneurialism* in the Zambian bureaucracy.

* Dresang considers the entrepreneurial administrator as one who (1) "had access to resources of funds, equipment and personnel that could be used to promote development; (2) he was self-confident specifically in that he felt able to influence his own future; (3) he believed that opportunities existed for rapid upward mobility; and (4) he concentrated on one project or programme in order to maximize chances of its success and his visible identification with it".

Further, those bureacucrats in policy areas that allow more options must necessarily work with other officials. Thus the overlapping of bureaucratic responsibilities serves as another control mechanism and limits the possible effect of pre-occupational socialization. This writer, however, is doubtful whether this constitutes a preventive measure against the trading of favours among bureaucrats.

Out of 33 higher service respondents were 19 with entrepreneurial traits of whom 7 were Bemba. This latter group was composed of "men eager to take optimal advantage of their administrative position and ethnic identify". The other non-Bemba believed that in the absence of that advantageous ethnic ascriptive trait they must rely on demonstrable ability. The remainder of the sample - 9 Bemba and 5 non-Bemba lacked entrepreneurial" traits and considered their responsibilities "primarily as routine administrative tasks."

This suggests the tendency for the bureaucrat's behaviour in office also to be determined more by selfish desires for mobility and success than by the desire to advance the interests of his ethnic or group of origin.

The calculation of an administrator of what he can and should do to seek career advancement, it should be noted, affect entrepreneurialism and innovation but not the beneficiaries of policy outputs. (Dresang, 1974:1614)

The development of the theory of representative bureaucracy into a coherent schema thus encounters numerous

problems. Establishing the reliability of causality between pre-employment-post-employment socialization and the bureaucrats' behaviour in office has to contend with too wide a spectrum of variables the study of which requires much longitudinal research than has so far been done. But although the central thesis suffers in this respect, the fact that higher bureaucrats influence policy outcomes is generally accepted and the contribution of the theory to the search for a new administrative structure that is client-oriented cannot be ignored and herein lies its main strength.

Its other strengths are, firstly, its utility as an expression of the concern for fairness, justice, equal opportunity, and secondly, as a means of ensuring the effective utilization of human resources. Some proponents have actually stressed its normative criteria, specifically, that the state and public bureaucracy as the largest employer set an example in providing a means of upward mobility and equal opportunity for the "lower-classes", under-privileged, minorities and women (Bendix, 1949; Kelsall, 1955).

It is precisely because of its normative value that has made the concept a useful feature of political platform rhetoric as a means of attracting votes. It can also serve as a mechanism for neutralizing power enclaves in society through their representation in government bureaucracy. As a mechanism of social control, it can be used either to

integrate deviant, critical and unamenable elements into government and public bureaucracy thus neutralizing their influence, or as vindictive means of dislodging those elements from government and bureaucracy and reducing their effectiveness.

METHODOLOGY AND SOURCES OF DATA

It was necessary to select a large sample of public institutions to establish the degree of representation of the genders and the presence or absence of horizontal segregation. Forty (40) government departments in nine ministries, and seventeen parastatals were, therefore, initially selected from the civil service directory and a listing of subsidiaries and holding companies of the Zambia Industrial and Manufacturing Corporation (ZIMCO) using a three digit random sample table (Mason and Bramble 1978: 378-379) (appendices 1 and 2). Also in view of the existing differential between established posts and occupied posts it was necessary to obtain the total number of employees classified by gender from the individual selected departments. In addition, contact persons at these departments were asked to provide a listing of responsible officers classified by gender. These are officers;

- a) whose decisions or opinions and input are sought on policy matters;
- b) in charge of departments, as well as supervisors of groups of employees; and
- c) whose decisions, inputs, and opinions are sought on recruitment and advancement of others.

The objective was to discover the distribution of status and power among males and females in the higher service since there are officers in this group whose decisions might

influence policy issues but not necessarily recruitment, performance and advancement of those officers in lower divisions of the service (appendix 7 and 8).

The second stage of the sampling procedure involved a scaling down of the initial sampled institutions again using the above mentioned three digit random sample table. This sample composed of thirty departments in eight ministries and ten parastatals (appendices 3 and 4). A listing was then made of all established posts in divisions 1 and 2*, and equivalent posts in parastatals (appendix 5). And again in view of the differential between establishment and occupied posts and the fact that government established registers ceased to publish incumbents' names since 1983, it became necessary to obtain the current incumbents' names from the individual departments.

* Division 2 officers represent the pool of qualified person for recruitment and promotion into the higher service.

This list of names was first classified by gender and department and from these twenty male and twenty female respondents were randomly selected as prospective respondents.

As far as university undergraduates were concerned, no formal sampling procedures were followed. Students on break from lectures and from the library were approached for interviewing. This methods of sampling was found to be the most convenient for students who were involved in term examinations at the time of fieldwork. It was also the most effective method of ensuring questionnaires completion and returns. More importantly, data from this source was necessary to establish the degree of relevance of parental profession to the choice of particular fields of endeavour of respondents.

All subjects were Zambian and were assured of their anonymity. Appendix 6 provides a breakdown of the final sample.

Source of Data

These include government establishment registers 1983 and 1986, departmental directories and annual reports, 1980 census report, the Zambian Constitution, the General Orders of the Public Service, Laws of Zambia Chapter 505 - the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children, the Industrial Relations Act, and the Income Tax Laws of Zambia.

There was also a content analysis of employment interviewer rating forms, and employment requisition forms used by sampled institutions.

Field Research

A total of 68 items were developed some of which were adapted from studies on the socio-economic background of public bureaucracies (Subramaniam, 1967; Taub, 1969; Panandiker and Kshirsagar, 1971). Others were developed with the assistance of a Zambian to avoid what is often referred to as the direction of wording effect. One example was the inclusion of the term "deserted" as a component of the item on marital status. Another was the use of the phrase "no-one to mind the children" instead of "no-one to baby-sit"

Questionnaires were administered to all the University of Zambian undergraduate respondents and a majority of the respondents in public bureaucracies. Each questionnaire took an average of 45 minutes to be completed.

Most of the items were biased toward the married respondent because of the marriage patterns of the larger population and the age group of the sample. According to the 1980 population census report most adult women marry before they reach the age of 25 and 96.7 per cent of women in the 35 - 39 age group are married. For men 89.7 per cent of those in the age group of 30 - 40 years (GRZ, CSO, 1980) are married. It was, therefore, expected that the majority of

respondents would either be married or would have been married before. And although the marital profile of the sample followed the pattern described in the census report this did not minimize, the importance of unmarried respondents in this study (Appendix 11).

Concurrently, there were interviews with personnel managers, recruitment officers, in service training coordinators and the chairman of the Public Service Commission, as a means of collecting data on recruitment and promotion policies of the sampled institutions to supplement data obtained from the General Orders of the Service, Annual Reports and Departmental Publications.

Analysis and Treatment of Data.

The representation of males and females in the selected institutions were considered in both absolute and relative terms. As Sullerot (1971) observes, while the former may be an effective means of establishing a restrictive recruitment policy at specific levels, a combination of the two offers a clearer picture of general tendencies that may be indicative of a general bias in the recruitment of one social group as opposed to another. This in turn may be an indicator of a break with or the continuance of traditional discriminatory practice in recruitment.

The items included a number of open-ended questions which allowed for flexibility in probing responses and illiciting spontaneity of responses. But as Nachmias and

Nachmias (1981 : 211) correctly observe, these advantages often render the analysis of responses difficult, and in the process of classifying the responses, some respondents' explanatory details are lost. To alleviate this difficulty, an extensive pretest was undertaken. This involved administering questionnaires to 45 respondents (28 males and 17 females) made up of university lecturers and staff, public servants (in departments not included in the sample) and employees of private companies. These provided indicators for classifying the variety of responses of the subjects of the study.

Procedural Problems

There were a number of problems encountered in the field, some expected and others unexpected.

Firstly, there was the usual "red tape" that is involved in getting the bureaucratic machinery moving. Personnel and recruitment officers from whom data was being sought had to obtain ministerial or directors' approval. This was expected in view of the special codes that bind public bureaucrats from releasing unauthorised information and material. What was unexpected was that among those from whom data was sought and who were interviewed women proved to be more dilatory and hesitant in releasing information than men.

Some respondents for lack of time during business hours requested that they complete questionnaires at convenient times for later collection. Some of these were either not completed at all or not completed in their entirety and had to be discarded.

This situation was further aggravated by the unsettled environment on the University of Zambia's Great East Road Campus that resulted in its closure. The effect was a further hesitance on the part of some public servants in dealing with students.

Other important events that affected data collection procedures included a reshuffle of Ministers and Permanent Secretaries and heads of departments accompanied by structural changes in ministerial departments at various times during the research. For example, the Ministry of National Guidance was merged with that of Information and Broadcasting, while there were changes in the directorship of various parastatals.

This was also a period when in accordance with new government economic policy, parastatals were required to adopt various structural and programme re-organization as a means of increasing earning capacity. These changes and programmes involved employee layoffs and consequently data collected on employee strength between the period from January to April had to be periodically updated.

Also, because the concern for the representation of women in public bureaucracy is a relatively recent phenomenon compared to the concern for their representation in politics, a great amount of pertinent data, such as the annual totals of females employed in public bureaucracy, were either not available or were in the earliest stages of accumulation and therefore could not be released.

All these contributed to the reduction of the projected total responses of 350 to 234.

CHAPTER TWO

RESULTS, OBSERVATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

The tentative observations that there was a preponderance of women in lower levels of bureaucracy with their scarcity in higher levels and that bureaucracy, in general, is less representative of women than men are borne out by the results of the study, although there have been improvements in the representation of women over the years.

In 1983 the total female work force in public bureaucracies was an infinitesimal fraction of that of males.

In comparison to the 1983 male work force of 85 per cent, male work-force in 1986 shows a considerable decrease with a corresponding increase in female work-force (Tables 1 and 2). This improvement in the numerical representation of women in the total public bureaucratic work-force is concentrated in the Ministry of Health. Specifically 76 per cent of the female work-force is found in this ministry (Appendix 7). This phenomenon may be due to the fact that this ministry deals with occupations that are traditionally regarded as feminine. Contrary to traditional beliefs of the social services department being a female preserve, evidence from the study (appendix 7) shows a preponderance of men in the work force as well as their monopoly of responsible positions in that department. Only

the Ministry of Health presents indicators towards both horizontal segregation of jobs and vertical segregation of occupations. For example, 88 per cent of the Medical Council members are men while 88 per cent of the Nursing Council are women. The administrative work-force in that Ministry shows the same pattern of representation of the genders.

An examination of the share of responsible positions of all departments evidences a general pattern of vertical occupational segregation. An analysis of the representation of the two groups in the three divisions in numerical terms and relative terms underscore this tendency. There is an overall attrition in the representation of women the higher the division. While in parastatals, the differential in representation of women and men is very high in all the divisions, in ministerial departments the ratio of men to women found in divisions 2 is reflected in division 3 as well (Tables 3 and 4 with details in appendices 9 and 10).

Given the general under-representation of women, there is a wastage of them in the transitional process among the divisions: in ministerial department the wastage is the highest between divisions 2 and 1 while in parastatals it seems to be a general trend.

Table 1
Public Service Work Force by Gender 1983

	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL
	No.	%	No.	%	
Civil Service	59,609	76	18,968	24	78,577 -
Parastatals	103,327	91	9,833	9	113,160
TOTAL	162,936	85	28,801	15	191,737

Source: ZAMBIA, Central Statistical Office Pilot Manpower Survey of 1983, Lusaka, 1985.

Table 2

Numerical Representation of Males and Females in Public
Bureaucracy and Their Share of Responsible Positions.

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	Total	M	F	Total No.	M	F
	Work			of Respo-		
	Force			nsible		
				Posts		

Ministries	6200	3669	2531	567	480	85

% of men						
and women	100	59.0	41.0	100	85.0	15.0

Parasta-						
tals	7576	1426	394	394	363	31

% of men						
and women	100.0	19.0	100.0	100.0	92.0	8.0

Total	13,776	9819	3857	961	843	116*
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% of men						
and women	100.0	71.0	29.0	100.0	88.0	12.0

* Openings exist on the General Nursing Council.

Source: Derived from Appendices 2 and 3

Table 3

Employment of Ministerial Departments-Classified by Gender and Division 1983 and 1986

Divisions	1986					1983					
	1		2		3 and below	1		2		3 and below	
Series	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M
Health and Social	15	1	19	3	86	67	21	1	84	3	642
es %	94	6	86	14	56	44	44	5	97	3	92
Education and	86	11	100	24	362	104	104	5	143	12	328
	89	11	82	18	72	22	22	7	92	8	83
Legal Guidance,	14	0	65	3	453	69	69	0	94	4	488
ation and	100	0	96	4	87	13	13	0	96	4	90
lasting %											
Police and	11	0	25	2	61	25	25	1	31	0	181
ry %	100	0	93	7	71	29	29	9	100	0	96
Divisions	1		2		3 and below	1		2		3 and below	
Culture and	46	2	71	12	101	48	44	1	137	9	287
Developa-	96	4	85	15	72	28	98	2	94	6	74
Transport	38	0	51	2	663	99	21	1	29	1	622
munica-	100	0	96	4	87	13	95	5	97	3	93
Offairs	15	4	13	9	10	20	6	0	2	0	17
	79	12	59	41	13	67	100	0	100	0	100
	5	3	4	34	1	20	2	2	0	27	18
	62	38	11	89	5	95	50	50	0	100	50
for	238	21	355	89	1,737	444	192	11	603	56	2,423
ies %	92	8	80	20	80	20	95	5	92	8	88
Totals	110	11	173	15	2,542	407					
	91	9	92	9	76	24					

FIGURES NOT AVAILABLE

Source: Derived from Appendices 9 and 10

Table 4

Ratio of Men and Women in the Divisions of the Service

	Total	Division 1	Division 2	Division 3 and below
Ministries	4:1	12:1	4:1	4:1
Parastatals	3.3:1	9:1	12:1	3:1
Totals	4:1	10.1	5:1	3.3:1

Source: Derived from Appendices 9 and 10

In some western countries mechanization increases available jobs for women. This is because those jobs, previously performed by skilled workers - usually men - are reduced to unskilled routine operative levels, with their accompanying low remuneration. In this way women's participation rate in formal employment can increase and that particular field of employment becomes feminized.

In African countries, in general, and Zambia, in particular, it would seem that localization or Zambianization has to some extent played the part automation and mechanization have played elsewhere. As relatively young Zambian men already in the service moved in to fill positions of responsibility previously held by colonial administrators, lower eschelon positions became available to both men and women. Women, however, concentrated in particular fields of employment since their training and education were biased towards such areas as nursing, clerical and secretarial work, while their general representation in the service improved.

Some of the men who were inducted into responsible positions in the immediate post-independence period are still in the public service. Others, as indicated in Dresang's thesis, (1974) referred to above, gained managerial expertise in the public service and moved into the private sector.

It would seem that such moves by men into the private sector should have created openings that women as well as men could equally have competed for thereby causing a steady

increase in women's representation in higher bureaucracy. This, however, has not been the case. Recruitment and promotion policies of the service are now examined for possible explanations.

Recruitment

The public service in Zambia is regulated by various rules - The General Orders of the Service, while parastatals have their regulations governing recruitment and promotion. The constitution provides the President with powers to make appointments to the service, and he is also the Chairman of the Board of Directors of ZIMCO. He is empowered to delegate these powers of appointment to various Commissions such as the Public Service, the Teaching Service and the Judicial Service Commissions which may carry out those functions in the "name of and on behalf of the President".

In terms of administration there is the Personnel Division, which is under the Prime Minister's office. It is a specialized division in charge of the size and structure of the service and is also responsible for policy decisions on appointments, dismissals or terminations of appointments, conditions of service, discipline and in-service training.

It is composed of five sub-divisions:

- (a) The appointments section: responsible for appointments of local personnel, promotions and discipline.
- (b) The Centralized Recruitment Agency: responsible for expatriate personnel on contract to the service as well as high level manpower placement.
- (c) The Complement and Grading section: in charge of the structure and size of the service.
- (d) The Terms of Service Section, and
- (e) The National Institute of Public Administration.

In general, the relevant criteria for recruitment and promotion are educational qualifications, the specificity and relevance of this qualification to available jobs and positions, seniority and performance. Specifically, recruitment to professional, technical and medical scales can be by either direct entry or by promotion. In the former incumbents compete for available positions with outsiders or new entrants while in the latter the head of department determines the availability of candidates internally with the requisite qualification for a specific vacant position. Recruitment into administrative scale posts of principal and above, on the other hand, is essentially by the latter methods - seniority/promotion.

Promotion within the Public Service will be directed by the appropriate commission as and when vacancies occur, after taking into account merit, qualifications and seniority of eligible officers (General Orders, 1976 : 6).

It is clear from the above that although merit, qualifications and seniority are given emphasis as considerations for induction into the divisions of the service and in determining eligibility for promotions, the over-riding and most pertinent factor consists in the availability of vacant positions. Recruitment and promotion procedures, therefore, begin only when departments are notified of vacant posts. In parastatals the boards of directors on the advice of the managing director determine if a vacant position is to be filled or declared redundant.

Upon receipt of the relevant notification, heads of departments compile a list of eligible officers and with reference to a summary of annual staff appraisals and performance reports, make recommendations to Personnel Division (or Managing Directors in Parastatals) to recruit or promote those eligible officers.

These determining factors for recruitment and promotion in relation to findings are discussed further in the following sections of this study.

Educational Qualifications

In determining whether officers have the requisite qualifications the head of department relies on the service's outline of specific entry requirements for the various scales and divisions (Appendix 12). It is evident that educational qualifications play a crucial part in recruitment and advancement and it is essential therefore, to examine the representation of the two genders in the educational system.

Although women constitute over 52 per cent of the total Zambian population, it is only at the primary school level that the numerical proportion of enrolled females approximate that of male pupils. The wastage rate of women becomes more marked the higher the level of education (Tables 5 and 6). Any improvements that have occurred over the years in the representation of females in terms of enrolment and educational attainment are confined to primary, secondary and technical and vocational levels. At the university level there seems to be a steady decline in the proportion of women enrolled over the period 1983-1986, while in absolute terms there has been improvement in both male and female enrolments. With males there was an improvement ranging from 10 per cent in 1983/1985 and 3 per cent in 1985/1986 academic years, while with females, the improvement in 1984/85 was .006 percent and actually decreased by .002 per cent in 1985/1986 academic years (Appendix 15).

Again, with regard to the fields of specialization of graduating students at the university level there are increases in the numerical representation of both males and females. Comparing these increases over the two quinquennia (Table 8), however, there are a number of interesting differences. In the sciences there was a 30 per cent increase in male graduates as against 17 per cent of females. In the arts males increased by 45 per cent against a phenomenal increase of 104 per cent of women. At the post-graduate level this pattern is reversed. Women increased by 77 per cent while men increased by 82 per cent in the second quinquennium.

Of those graduating with certificates and diplomas there was again an increase of only 4 per cent of men against 46 per cent of women. It is conceivable that more women, either for lack of the requisite qualification for entry into undergraduate programmes are opting for certificates and diploma programmes to enhance their eligibility for advancement into higher service positions. An even more important and plausible extension to this argument is that women are acquiring further educational qualification because of the inflation in educational requirements which accompanies a highly saturated field of employment for females, (Archibald, 1973) and is discriminatory of females.

The data on the educational background of respondents (Table 6) show that 75 per cent of females are university graduates while 53 per cent of the men possess similar educational qualifications. There is, however, a higher degree of diversification in specializations among the men than the women. Fields of specialization of male respondents include engineering; Pharmaceutical sciences, agricultural sciences, accounting/auditing, economics, law, purchasing/marketing and public administration. About 75 per cent of the women graduates specialized in public administration, personnel management and sociology, while 18 per cent studied economics and 5 per cent business management.

The data below supports the traditional reason often cited for the under-representation of women in the higher service - that of limited and less diversified fields of specialization. Women continue to specialize in fields that are already saturated with specialists, and as long as this trend continues, certain fields of endeavour would continue to be labelled feminine. This type of horizontal occupational segregation is usually accompanied by an upgrading of educational requirements for recruitment into those occupations and a shortening of the career ladder or vertical occupational segregation, along the lines described by Archibald (1973) of the Canadian Public Service.

Table 5.1
Primary and Secondary School Enrolment 1979

Level of Education	Male		Female		Total
	No.	%T	No	%T	Total
Primary	532,135	53	465,626	47	997,761
Secondary	60,121	66	31,588	34	91,709

Table 5.2
Primary and Secondary School Enrolment 1981

Level of Education	Male		Female		Total
	No.	%T	No.	%T	
Primary	568,039	53	505,275	47	1,073,314
Secondary	78,634	65	43,559	35	123,193

Source: Ministry of Education and Culture, Annual Reports 1979 and 1981. Department of Technical and Vocational Training, Printing Service, 1984.

Table 5.3

College, Technical and Vocational Institutions Enrolment-
1975-1979 and 1982

1975		1979		1982	
M	F	M	F	M	F
4,802	619	3,929	1,332	4,264	1,330
89	11	75	25	76	24

Source: Bardouille, R. (1985): Women's Employment Patterns, Discrimination and Promotion of Equality in Zambia. Unpublished Report for ILO, JASPA.

Table 5.4

University of Zambia Student Enrolment Statistics -
1983/1984 - 1985/1986

(Full Time, Part Time, Correspondence and Postgraduate)

Academic - Year	Male		Female		Total
	Number	%T	Number	%T	
1985/1986	3,853	82.8	801	17.2	4,654
1984/1985	3,751	82.4	803	17.6	4,554
1983/1984	3,397	81.0	798	19.0	4,195

Source: Derived from Appendix 15

NB: See Appendix 12 for fields of specialization

Table 6
Educational Background of Senior Public Servants

Group	No.	F1	-	3	4	-	6	Univer- sity	* Professional	College, Vocational Technical and Others
9	18		9			4		11	0	3
9	54		3			4		39	2	6
9	41		8			19		11	2	1
9	9		2			2		5	0	0
nd over stated										
1	125		13			29		66	2	10
WOMEN										
9	21		0			0		20	0	1
9	58		0			6		38	1	13
1	79		0			6		59	1	14

*Those with Professional degrees include - lawyers, engineers and specialist in civil aviation.

Table 7.
Enrolling Students - Technical and Vocational Institutions by Fields of Specialization and
Gender - 1975, 1979 and 1982

	1975		1979		1982	
	M	F	M	F	M	F
s and Crafts	603	3	634	15	502	1
trial Technician	144	0	189	0	155	0
Engineering Technologist	36	0	122	1	30	0
ce and Para-Medical	57	17	73	15	66	15
ed Arts	37	12	60	21	147	16
ess Studies	73	6	100	10	93	9
arial	0	192	0	491	0	363
ervices	136	0	86	4	112	5
Teacher Training	46	0	127	14	108	20
ic (English as a n Language)	0	12	24	6	25	7
	1,132	242	1,415	577	1,238	436
age of Men and Women	82.4	17.5	71	29	74	26

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 uating Students - University of Zambia by Gender and Fields of Specialization -
 /1975 and 1983/1984

	1974/ 1975		-	1978/ 1979		-	1979/ 1980		-	1983/ 1984	
	Male			Female			Male			Female	
Graduates (Sciences)	737	89.0		96	12.0		959	90.0		112	10.0
Graduates (Arts)	1,194	79.0		316	21.0		1,729	73.0		630	27.0
Certificates and Diploma	98	56.0		78	44.0		102	47.0		114	53.0
Postgraduate	12	80.0		3	20.0		70	84.0		13	16.0
Totals	2,041	80.0		493	20.0		2,960	76.0		929	24.0

Source: Derived from Appendix 16

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duating Students - University of Zambia by Gender and Fields of Specialization -
4/1975 and 1983/1984

	1974/ 1975		1978/ 1979		1979/ 1980		1983/ 1984	
	Male		Female		Male		Female	
ergraduates (Sciences)	737	89.0	96	12.0	959	98.0	112	10.0
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als	2,041	80.0	493	20.0	2,960	76.0	929	24.0

Source: Derived from Appendix 16

Table 9

Male Respondents									
Age Group	No.	Traditional Ruler	Small-scale Farmer, Fish- monger	Teacher Clergy- man	Civil Servant	Merchant Business- man	Semi Skilled Urban/ Mine Worker	Unskilled Worker	Other
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
20-29	15	0	27	13	53	7	0	0	0
30-39	52	0	54	12	17	12	5	0	0
40-49	32	0	50	3	3	4	9	3	28
50-59	8	37	38	25	0	0	0	0	0
Not stated	18								
University									
Undergraduates	15	0	13	7	46	27	7	0	0
Total	140								
FEMALE RESPONDENTS									
20-29	20	0	22	5	50	25	5	0	0
30-39	44	0	34	16	23	11	14	2	0
Not stated	15								
University									
Under graduates	15		20	13	34	13	13	7	0
Total	94								

Table 10

Group	No.	Housewife	CS Teacher/Nurse	Small Scale Farmer	Trader
20-29	12	50	0	42	0
30-39	52	46	0	40	6
40-49	33	45	0	40	7
50-59	7	57	0	29	14
Not stated	21				
University					
Under graduates	15	33	40	20	7
Total	140				
FEMALES					
20-20	21	30	14	33	14
30-39	45	27	7	44	22
Not stated	13				
University					
Under graduates	15	47	26	20	7
Total	94				

Historically bureaucratic norms stressing educational requirements had prevented or limited accessibility to public bureaucracies by groups unable to afford these educational qualifications. Both Kingsley (1944) and Mosher (1982) have established the relationship between the liberalization of educational opportunities and accessibility to public bureaucracies in America and Britain. Other studies mentioned above have, however, shown that the representation of women has only minimally improved as a result of the increase in educational opportunity. In Zambia, where education has for a long time been tuition free, the situation of women has not been much different.

The contribution of socialization practices to this state of affairs has already been alluded to and in this study, traditional norms and socialization practices were found to be significant factors in considering the relative position of women's careers vis-a-vis men's careers. Most male respondents felt their fathers were indifferent while their mothers over-whelmingly approved of their choice of careers. 88 per cent of females whose fathers and all those whose mothers disapproved of their choice of careers felt they were expected (Tables 9,10,11) to "settle down and get married". It seems that it is not the types of careers per se that are disapproved of but women's entry into employment (Table 11).

While there is generally no predilection to follow parental footsteps, it is noteworthy that teachers,

ental Influence on Respondents' Choice of Careers

	Father's Attitude				Mother's Attitude			
	Male Respondents		Female Respondents		Male Respondents		Female Respondents	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
ngly oved	19	15.0	5	7.0	38	32.0	7	10.0
oved	37	31.0	12	17.0	55	46.0	19	27.0
fferent	62	52.0	46	65.0	27	22.6	27	38.0
proved	2	1.0	8	11.0	0	-	18	25.0
ngly proved	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	120	100	71	100	120	100	71	100

tal Expectation for Sons and Daughters to Follow in their Footsteps

	Father				Mother			
	Male Respondents		Female Respondents		Male Respondents		Female Respondents	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
	9	8.0	1	1.0			23	32.0
	111	92.0	70	99.0	120	100	48	68.0
	120	100	71	100	120	100	71	100

Table 13

Who and What Influenced Respondents' Choice of Careers

WHO	WHAT								
	Males		Females			Males		Females	
	No.	%	No.	%		No.	%	No.	%
Relatives	5	4.0	9	11.0	Qualifi- cations New Field/- Advancement prospects	71	59.0	49	69.0
Teacher									
Missionaries	67	56.0	43	61.0					
Friends						27	23.0	3	4.0
Self/No-One	48	40.0	20	28.0	Limited Alternatives	22	19.0	19	27.0
total	120	100	71	100		120	100.0	71	100.0

missionaries and friends played a significant role in influencing respondents on their choice of specializations and careers than relatives. Their role, whether direct or indirect, in social conditioning, as far as sex-role appropriate behaviour is concerned cannot be over emphasized and at the same time their roles as agents of change cannot, therefore, be ignored (Tables 12 and 13)

Among those males who had been influenced by advancement prospects and the newness of their fields of endeavour, 94 per cent (or 25) of them had made job moves from the civil service to the parastatals sector. 92 per cent of this group had made their career choices without any external influences. None of the female respondents had made similar occupational moves from the civil service to the parastatal sector. Of the three females who had chosen their careers solely on the basis of advancement prospects, two were economists and the other in civil aviation.

Although this requires further research the data suggests a higher degree of stability of women in jobs. This is contrary to conclusions drawn by Caro (1979). She examined the employment histories of 48 working women in INDECO, FINDECO and the media and her findings were that "none of the women remained in the same job for more than two years even after extensive company training." While data in this study suggests a lack of some of the entrepreneurial traits described by Dresang (1974), Caro's findings suggests the existence of some of those traits in her subjects. Her

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findings also suggest the existence of options in fields of employment for women. Considering the educational backgrounds of women which is biased almost exclusively towards the arts rather than the sciences, it is more probable that career options for them are limited. This would tend to limit their entrepreneurialship. Future examination of the subject of the stability of women in jobs might consider as pertinent variables the relationship between the status or position of subjects or respondents and the degree of their stability. It would also be interesting to extend such research further by verifying that actual career or job moves corresponded to those stated on employment histories as a means of analysing the perimeters within which women are able to exercise entrepreneurialship given their educational backgrounds and socialization patterns.

Another important finding that seems to underline the significance and strength of socialization practices is the congruency between male and female responses on the subject of relocation or transfers, (Table 14). 89 per cent of males would not relocate if their wives were transferred to other areas outside Lusaka while 82 per cent females are willing to relocate if their husbands were transferred outside Lusaka. 5 per cent of the women would relocate if comparable jobs could be found. These were unmarried and to them this item was to a larger degree hypothetical.

Table 14.1

Relative Position of Careers of Females

Responses	MALES		FEMALES	
	No.	%	No.	%
1. Would Relocate	1	1.0	58	82.0
2. Would not Relocate	107	89.0	2	3.0
3. Would Consider	5	4.0	0	0
4. Would Relocate if leave of Absence is granted	-	-	-	-
5. Would Relocate if Comparable job can be found	6	6.0	4	5.0
6. No response	-	-	7	10.0
Total	120	100	71	100

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The significant point here, however, is that women's careers are relegated to a secondary position and this was evident from the reasons given for either the unwillingness to relocate in the case of men and willignness to relocate in the case of women. The reasons cited are:

Table 14.2

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
1. Husband: Breadwinner and must keep his job.	86	0
2. To preserve unity of family	-	51
3. Traditionally women expected to "follow husband".	21	2
4. Have no choice.	0	5

It is also significant to note that those women who would relocate would do so more because of their concern for the maintenance of family unity rather than because men are breadwinners. 6 per cent male respondents and 5 per cent female respondents would consider the financial costs and benefits of relocating and are willing to do so if comparable jobs could be found. It was obvious during the interviews, however, that this group of respondents were aware of the remoteness of that possibility in view of the economic difficulties facing the country and the general high rate of unemployment. Thus while none of the males would interrupt

their careers for any length of time, females are either willing to do so of their own accord or because society expects them to.

Merit System

The merit system, was born out of the desire to apply the ideal of equal opportunity to recruitment and promotion in the Service. It is, therefore, aimed at precluding such criteria as kinship, life-style, race, gender and other characteristic unrelated to occupational requirements, and would seem to enhance the employment opportunities of women but has been criticized for its inherent subjectivity.

Firstly, its basic assumption is that its component parts of tests and interviews are valid instruments for the assessment of ability.

When technicians are tested broadly in their subjects and techniques and professionals such as doctors and engineers are recruited on the basis of proven ability through professional examinations. Even here the test is for general, technical or professional performance and not for ability to perform a specific act (Subramaniam, 1967 : 9).

There is the defensive argument that the system does not "create invidious discrimination as its defects victimize randomly" (Gboyega, 1984). This may be true but seems to preclude the possibility of the intrusion of social norms and prejudices on the decision-making process of the assessment of the potential or ability of candidates to perform specific acts.

The employment interview or the viva voce in particular has been widely subjected to research and analysis. Arvey and Campion (1982) in their review of various research material and literature on the subject list a number of interviewer and situational factors that influence perceptual and judgemental processes. For example, "knowing the race and sex of an applicant" could differentially shape and influence the "expectations, stereotypes and behaviours of an interviewer" which in turn affects interview outcomes. Specific studies done on this are by Shaw, Cohen and Bunker (1975 in Arvey and Campion, 1982), and Cash, Gillen and Burns (1977 in Arvey and Campion, 1982). Their studies focused on several variables interacting with gender to influence the evaluation of an interviewee by an interviewer. The conclusions were that women are generally rated lower for jobs that are considered to be typically "masculine" and higher for "feminine" jobs. Gender, therefore, is a significant factor influencing not only who is employed but also the type of job an individual is recruited into.

Personnel managers and recruitment officers interviewed acknowledged the inherent subjectivity of the viva voce and have established various methods for its improvement. These include the use of panels consisting of between three and five members of management or commission members, advance preparation and planning of questions, and interviewer ratings during the interview, followed by a general discussions of results among panel members.

The same criticisms that have been levelled at the recruitment of new entrants, have also been levelled at the assessment of candidates' present abilities and potential for promotion. These assessments are based on annual staff appraisals made up of ratings of candidates' performance, and the judgement of candidates' written and oral expression, numerical ability, reliability, and relations with supervisors, colleagues and junior staff. This constitutes not only, an assessment of a candidates's immediate potential for promotion to a higher position but also his long term potential for handling the responsibilities of that higher position. But promotion on the basis of present demonstrated competence is liable to lead to what has generally been referred to as the Peter Principle where candidates are ultimately promoted to their levels of incompetence or levels above their capacity. The service solves this problem by requiring that officers promoted to higher position serve a probationary period.

Officers selected for promotion will normally be appointed by the appropriate commission to act for a period of not less than six months with a view to assessing their suitability for substantive promotion (General Orders, 1976: 6).

Thus, although the merit system of recruitment into the service has various in-built mechanisms of ensuring fair treatment, in the process of its application leaves a great deal of room for subjectivity, and therefore the intrusion of

both personal prejudices and societal norms that may have shaped and influenced those prejudices.

In-service training and qualifications attained on the job also play a crucial role in the assessment of staff potential for promotion. All respondents indicated awareness of and the specific training programmes available to them in various divisions and levels of employment. 98 per cent of both male and female respondents indicated that selection and approval for attending those courses are made by the immediate supervisor or Head of Department.

In the selection process the supervisor considers the availability of staff for the efficient operation of the department, the dispensability of crucial staff members for specific periods for training and the benefits of the particular training to the department, the staff member and the country.

Five out of the six personnel and recruitment officers interviewed indicated that absenteeism rate of women was between 30 and 50 per cent higher than for men. There was a consensus that domestic responsibilities of women encroached on their occupational responsibilities. While this would effect the selection of females for courses it seems that it would also directly affect the selection of males since the absence of females affects staff strength for the efficient operation of departments. However, where women's careers seem to be relegated to a secondary position to those of men

the benefits of training them are likely to be at best considered minimal. And in fact, while 91 per cent of male respondents had attended various training programmes only 19 per cent of females had attended courses of any kind.

The numerical under-representation of women in the service was expected to be reflected in the number of women attending training programmes, however, the extreme disparity evident in the data presented underscores the significance of the above factors. Course attendance records of NIPA in appendix 17 furnish further evidence.

Seniority

Seniority used as the sole measure of promotability may tend to enhance the career prospects of officials with only average ability by either limiting or precluding competition from more dynamic and possibly cleverer or younger officials. It is, however, considered to result in fair treatment when used in conjunction with the merit system.

Seniority is determined in two ways:

- (a) salary scales: the officer having the maximum scale points is considered the most senior. Since salary scales take into account the number of years spent in acquiring a specific degree or specialization it does not seem to discriminate among professionals and the administrative group.

(b) date of appointment or recruitment to a specific grade: the officer recruited at the earliest date is considered the most senior to others.

" The civil service is geared to people who will work continuously from recruitment to retirement. Experience and seniority are both crucial to promotion. If you interrupt your career for a substantial period, your rise will probably be set back by much more than the number of years spent away from the job" (Brimelow, 1981: 320). As has been indicated above, women's late entry into public service and their qualifications have combined to hamper their representation in the service.

With regard to the interruption of careers, women's rights of seniority acquired during employment are preserved during maternity leave. To this extent the employment environment is structured to accommodate the temporary alteration in women's condition - pregnancy. Other leave of absence granted on medical grounds and for training do not affect seniority rights, or the calculation of total years of employment for both men and women.

Where leave of absence is granted for a women to enable her accompany her spouse on a transfer, because societal expectation is that she does so in order to preserve the unity of the family, and where the male is the 'breadwinner', and, therefore, his career regarded as superior to that of the female, women's seniority rights are affected.

Table 15

Bases of Promotion

MALES

Age Group	No.	Merit/Performance		Seniority		Merit/Seniority	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
18-29	19	17	89	0	0	2	11
30-39	56	27	48	0	0	29	52
40-49	41	3	7	0	0	38	93
50-59	9	0	0	0	0	9	100
Total	125	47	38	0	0	78	62

FEMALES

18-29	21	14	67	0	0	7	33
30-39	58	19	33	0	0	39	67
Total	79	33	42	0	0	46	58

This ultimately contributes to their under-representation in the service.

It must be pointed out that although only 6 per cent of female respondents had ever relocated because of transfers of their spouses (and these had found comparable jobs in Lusaka), their responses on the willingness or otherwise to relocate is nevertheless significant in assessing societal regard of the position of women's careers vis-a-vis men's careers.

In exploring what respondents felt should constitute the bases of promotion, the expectation was that the oldest members of respondents and those who had been the longest in the service would select seniority as the relevant factor. But as the data below indicates none of the respondents selected seniority as the sole basis for promotion. In fact, the greater number of respondents felt that merit/seniority was a satisfactory measure for promotability. A significant number of those within the age groups 20 - 29 and 30 - 39 would like to see the seniority criterion scrapped.

There seems to be a great deal of support for the service's policy on advancement. However, 70 per cent of respondents felt their pace of advancement has not been fast enough and attributed this to the limited openings in the service. Only 37 per cent of females specified gender in combination with limited openings as obstacles to their advancement.

Transfers

Officers dissatisfied with conditions in their departments may request transfers to other departments. Some request transfers as a means of increasing their prospects for advancement. Again this request is subject to the approval of the head of department or Permanent Secretary. The request is forwarded to the Personnel Division and again the obstacle is the availability of vacant positions. 6 per cent of the females who relocated to Lusaka and had found comparable jobs requested for their transfers to preserve family 'unity'.

Size of the Service

The limited number of available vacant positions in the service is thus an obstacle to the advancement and therefore the representation of males but more so females, because the former are regarded as 'breadwinners' and must, therefore, be employed.

Vacancies are created in the service by transfers, resignations, dismissals and promotions and they are gazetted when they occur. Additional posts may also be created at the request of a departmental head or Principal Secretary through the Personnel Division. The Principal Secretary of Personnel Division in turn consults the Minister of Finance for budgetary allocation. Such positions are then listed in the Establishment Register. In parastatals the expansion of

established posts is referred to as personnel investments. It is the responsibility of heads of departments to ensure that publications of vacant positions are brought to the attention of all qualified officers.

The obstacle of limited vacant positions has been further aggravated by a shrinkage in established posts in the service. A comparison of the data on established posts for 1983 and 1986 (appendix 18) shows an overall decrease of 3 per cent. The greatest shrinkage of between 17 per cent and 18 per cent has occurred in administrative scale posts where most females are recruited because of their fields of specialization.

This contraction in established posts in the service is now a component part of government's economic recovery programme. All parastatals are undergoing structural changes aimed at promoting or increasing their economic viability. The Zambian Consolidated Copper Mines Limited, one of the largest parastatals in terms of its operation, assets and labour force, for example, has launched a five year survival plan involving the closure of various mines and a reduction in its staff by over 3,000 within a period of six months. United Bus Company of Zambia has also embarked on a similar programme which would involve the closure of a number of its bus depots and a redundancy of over 2,000 of its staff.

In the civil service, recent measures include a freeze on all vacancies in administrative scale positions with only

selective recruitment to professional and technical scale posts. This was accompanied by a reduction in the retirement age of men from 60 years to 55 years and for women from 55 years to 50 years. - This has now been changed to 55 years for both genders after serious representations from female groups.

A shrinkage in established posts accompanied by a reduction of the retirement age might have the effect of opening up posts in the higher service and ensure a faster pace of advancement for those already in the service while the introduction of an indefinite freeze on vacant positions in addition to the above measures will at the same time tend to perpetuate the high rate of failed expectations among public servants in general. These policies will equally affect the numerical representation of both males and females in the Service, but its effect on women will be evident due to their already lower representation.

Another practice that would seem to affect both male and female representation is that of upgrading a position, by management or the Personnel Division, upon its becoming vacant. The effect is the revision of recruitment requirements for that position. Women compared to men, are bound to be disadvantaged in competing for these upgraded posts because firstly, they are under-represented in the posts of qualified persons to be recruited into the higher service. Secondly, they have limited fields of

specialization. Thirdly, they are under-represented among those selected to upgrade their qualifications through in-service training programmes. It is easier for men to upgrade their qualifications and compete for these positions while women, because of their inability to do the same, are confined to lower ranks.

CHAPTER 3

RELATED OBSTACLES TO GENDER BALANCING

Expressing Gender Preference

Recruitment procedures in parastatals begin with the completion of staff requisition form by the head of department. On this form he is required to specify the preferred gender of the new entrant recruited for a specific job. The reason for this requirement, ostensibly, is that certain jobs are better performed by one group as compared to the other, while other jobs may be hazardous to women specifically. Recruitment officers interviewed indicated an awareness of the possibility of the intrusion of personal prejudice with respect to this item on staff requisition forms but emphasized that the concern of employers for employees was paramount. The important point, however, is that this gender preference for specific jobs however well-intended contributes to and perpetuates horizontal and vertical occupational segregation, with certain jobs being categorized masculine and others feminine.

The removal of this item from staff requisition forms, as has been done in various American institutions such as banks, constitutes one right step in the direction of alleviating the subjectivity of recruitment procedures.

Medical Examinations

New entrants into the service are required to undertake medical examinations and their actual induction is dependent on the results of these examinations. Although a prudent requirement aimed at establishing the physical fitness of an applicant for specific jobs, it tends to be discriminatory against women as a result of their biological functions.

A woman declared by the medical report to be pregnant cannot be recruited. This is an established policy in parastatals and seems to be based on the antiquated belief that all pregnancies are incapacitating. Also while employers seem to be concerned about obtaining good value for employee investment through their uninterrupted service, this policy penalizes women for their biological roles and constitutes an obstacle to the recruitment of women.

The Employment Amendment Act, Number 18 of 1982 requires that a woman works continuously for two years after recruitment to be entitled to paid maternity leave. The same rule applies to subsequent pregnancies.

This, again, augurs for good family planning and ensures a continuity of service, productivity and good returns on personnel investments. While it may also ensure that women earn their seniority rights which in one way may boost their representation it tends to penalize economically those women who are unable to observe the rule.

Marital Status

There was a general agreement among recruitment officers interviewed concerning the preference for married candidates especially where recruitment to positions of responsibility are concerned. Marital status is therefore used as a measure of stability, sense of responsibility and good conduct.

Some of the indicators of such "good" characteristics are:

- (a) punctuality
- (b) minimal or no absenteeism
- (c) good performance
- (d) non-drunkenness on the job
- (e) dedication because employee's family livelihood depends on his job.

This may seem to discriminate equally among unmarried males and females. Both married and unmarried women, however, are confronted with the preconception among recruitment officers that absenteeism is highest among female workers. Thus the idea that marital status can be equated to the level of an employee's job performance and behaviour in office is weighted in favour of men than women.

Protective Legislation

The Consititutions of Zambia provides for the "fundamental rights and freedoms of the individual, that is to say, the right, whatever his race, place of origin, political opinions, colour, creed or sex..." (Constitution of the Republic of Zambia, Cap. 1, Section 1, Part 3 Article 13:

19). It then defines the term discriminatory as

affording different treatment to different persons attributed wholly or mainly to their respective descriptions by race, tribe, place or origin, political opinions, colour or creed, whereby persons of one such description are subjected to disabilities or restrictions to which persons of another such description are not made subject or accorded privileges or advantages to persons of another such description (Cap, 1 Section 1, Article 25: 32).

Gender is omitted and whether it is this that makes it possible for the application of other laws which accord privileges and advantages differentially to men and women is debatable legally. Although such laws are well-intended, in their effect they afford men specific advantages on the job market.

For example, there is the law that prevents women from employment in "mines, quarries and other works for the extraction of mineral from the earth" (Constitution of the Republic of Zambia, Cap. 505 - Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children 12: 17).

Women are also barred from employment in certain manufacturing industries, the transformation and transmission of electricity and the maintenance and repair of railways, harbour, docks, tunnels, telegraphic or telephone installation, and from employment during the night in public or private industrial undertaking.

Women in management positions, those in the health and welfare services, female students who must spend a portion of their training in underground mines are exclusions to this legislation. Obviously these legislations generally restrict occupational choices for women. In the process of protecting the "weaker sex" from demanding, arduous and possibly hazardous areas of employment, these laws also preclude women from competing with men, thus making those jobs masculine jobs and contributing to horizontal occupational segregation.

Women aspiring for management positions in the mining industry, are thus limited to fields like personnel, accounting, auditing, administration and these are the areas that have the fewest openings, or are already saturated.

Health and social work have historically been the socially approved areas of employment for women and protective legislation facilitates conditions for the employment of women in those areas.

The 1982 Income Tax Amendment Act represents an example of law that has been amended to correspond to social reality and correct an anomaly. Firstly, it increased the child allowance of working couples by approximately two per cent.

Before its amendment the tax law indirectly reinforced the idea of the man being the "breadwinner" as well as the supplementary nature of women's remuneration. The laws of Zambia have, since independence, provided for equal pay for

equal work, but the tax laws had attached the family tax allowance to the husband's income. The married working women's remuneration, therefore, had borne the full tax liability. With the amendment couples have been provided with the option of sharing equally the allowance and liability or to jointly decide whose remuneration would bear the liability..

If the married man has been regarded as the breadwinner then it is conceivable that he would receive preferential treatment on the job market to better enable him perform that task. In recent times, however, it is often a dire economic necessity for women to work and it appears that only few households can have a decent standard of living based on a single income. In this study the three most cited reasons by women for their entry into wage employment support the financial argument (Table 17). Women work because they need their earnings as much as men do. Indeed 65 female respondents or 91 per cent of them actually budget their total earnings towards household expenditure.

Table 16

Female Respondents' Reasons for Entry Into Wage
Employment.

<u>Reasons</u>	<u>% of Women</u>
1. Working for financial reasons.	38.0
2. For own financial security	8.0
3. To provide for my needs and those of my children	52.0
4. Wish to have a career	2.0

Total	100.0
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In appendix 11, a group of female respondents were classified as "unmarried, single parents". Those are heads of their households and invariably the sole breadwinners of their respective families.

The traditional regard of men as 'breadwinners', therefore, requires reassessment. Additionally, there is the need for demographic statistics to delineate this group of women from others since their economic and domestic responsibilities must obviously be different from those of other women.

Assuming that women's earnings do supplement those of their spouses, it must have the effect of freeing a portion of the family income for the accumulation of property. Customary law, however, disregards the contribution of women

to the accumulation of property and fails to provide for a widow any rights of inheriting the family property on the death of her husband intestate.

Although this may not directly affect the representation of women in public bureaucracy it is a pertinent factor with regard to economic and social power relationships between men and women- the type of power which may be crucial in exerting sufficient pressure to effect societal changes.

Ndulo (1986) observes that no legislation has so far been enacted in Zambia as a result of pressure from women's groups, and women's organizational inequality has often been cited as a reason for their unfair treatment in the work place and their under-representation in higher eschelons^{*} of employment. Women have not been known to be vocal in workers' unions in the country. Only 16 per cent of the total female respondents belong to any women's groups or associations and attended meetings at least once a month. 23 per cent are signed up members who are unable to attend meetings due to lack of time. 43 per cent of respondents are not interested in joining women's groups and two main reasons emerged.

Firstly, that existing groups do not publicize their objectives and activities. And secondly, their effectiveness as means of enhancing employment opportunities in public bureaucracy is limited.

Sexual Harassment

Often where very few women or men have entered certain fields and ranks traditionally regarded as male or female preserve their promotion and advancement is hampered by sexual harassment from co-workers of the opposite gender.

In exploring the awareness among respondents of this problem, there seemed to be a high degree of reluctance to discuss the subject. Only 8 per cent of respondents attempted a definition of sexual harassment, examples of which are:

1. "When a female employee is deprived of all company benefits including promotions for refusing advances from male supervisors".
2. "Supervisors proposing to female juniors on the job."
3. "Demand for personal gratification from the opposite sex as condition for employment or advancement in career".

From the above viewpoints it can be deduced that sexual harassment is one that:

- (a) both males and females may be subjected to,
- (b) junior female may be subjected to by senior males,
and
- (c) constitutes a potential obstacle to employment (recruitment), advancement and other earned benefits in the work place.

However, all respondents felt it was not a frequent occurrence in the Public Service in Zambia. One respondent dismissed it as "merely an encounter between the genders".

15 per cent (27 females and two males) considered it "discriminatory of females" and 90 per cent considered it a "misconduct of the person who initiates it". 58 per cent or (106) of the respondents would like to see the problem solved at the departmental level and 7 per cent felt that it should be solved between the parties concerned.

This examination of the phenomenon of sexual harassment is preliminary and at best exploratory. However, the responses in the study indicate that:

- (a) sexual harassment does exist
- (b) it constitutes a potential impediment to fair recruitment and promotion/advancement practices as recommended by the General Orders of the public service.
- (c) it constitutes a misconduct that must be dealt with by a department authority.
- (d) it is discriminatory of women.

Some of the questions that arise at this point include the following:

1. Are sex-roles and behaviour patterns so firmly entrenched that some regard sexual harassment as merely an encounter between male and females, and, therefore, is not seen as a phenomenon capable of eroding women's potential for social equality?
2. Do women regard it as discriminatory but feel powerless to protest against it? This is pertinent in view of the assurances sought by females for their ononymity in answering the questionnaire on sexual harassment.

3. Is the reluctance to discuss the phenomenon due to its being a generally sensitive topic or are women afraid and intimidated to discuss it?
4. Is there a fear of repercussions that might occur for revealing the practice or complaining about its occurrence?

Robertson (1987) notes in her research paper on ... Women and Socio-Economic Change that " women working in offices have to contend with sexual overtures from male co-workers who regard such emancipated women as fair game. This tendency has driven some women back into market trading which offers free choice in matters of personal contact and flexible hours".

Sexual harassment could in this way have a detrimental impact on attempts to achieve a gender-balanced bureaucracy. Women's response to sexual harassment could either be to ignore the matter because their jobs are vital to them and hope that the practice will cease or to resist it and face such repercussions as non-recruitment, adverse employment reviews, withholding of pay increases and even dismissal. The third option is to leave formal employment for the informal sector as Robertson (1987) has noted.

Whatever, option women choose, the phenomenon of sexual harassment is worthy of investigation in research on sex-role patterns, socialization practices, social equality of women and their representation in formal employment.

Respondent's Suggestions to Enhance Women's Representation

Women recommend an expansion in the education system, the acquisition of the relevant qualifications and demonstrated efficiency in the work place as a means of enhancing recruitment and advancement opportunities for women.

Included in specific things government could do to increase the numbers of women in decision making positions are: the establishment of creches/nurseries for the children of working mothers. Also while there was an overwhelming support for the abandonment of l'aissez faire and for government's direct intervention in the higher services, only 29 per cent of the respondents specifically recommended the reservation of a given percentage of higher service positions for women - a system that will correspond to the quota system in America.

Both the expansion of the educational system and the provision of creches or nurseries would involve considerable financial outlay which the government may not be able to afford. In fact, the President has pointed out that only about one third of development plans envisaged in the Fourth National Development Plan might be undertaken in view of the economic problems facing the country.

It is, however, evident that there is a great need for creches and day care centres for children of working mothers,

considering the fact that 52 per cent of the respondents have children in the pre-school and primary school age groups and that school hours do not correspond to working hours.

With regard to women's domestic responsibilities only 9 per cent of married female respondents had the help of their spouses in such chores as washing dishes and shopping for groceries. All 65 female respondents with female children indicated some assistance from the latter with domestic responsibilities. None of the respondents had the help of sons. It must be pointed out, however, that 23 per cent of respondents had sons under five years of age.

All 69 female respondents with children were solely responsible for helping their children with homework. Only 7 per cent of all female respondents did not have domestic assistance of any sort-from extended family members or paid domestic help.

Appendix 19 shows the average number of children of respondents. The averages for those in age groups 40 - 49 and 50 - 59 are higher than the completed family size of 5-6 reported in the population census. Because all the averages are relatively high, the observation that child-care and domestic responsibility of women tend to encroach on their working responsibilities would seem to be valid. The age structure of female respondents shows that while they are all within child bearing age 33 out of the 79 respondents do

practice family planning while, 33 women have husbands who do not "believe in or approve" of family planning.

Although men are relatively free from most domestic responsibilities only 6 per cent of them as against 4 per cent of women took work home. Most respondents, however, indicated that it was impractical to take work home because of the large volumes of files, documents and material they deal with. A minority - 7 males and two females - are able to accomplish all pending matters by the end of the working day.

Only 12 per cent of respondents work overtime. 91 per cent of males are willing to work overtime as against 18 per cent of females. For those unwilling to work overtime reasons given were classified thus:

Table 17

Reasons for Not Wishing to Work Overtime

Reasons	MALES		FEMALES	
	No.	%	No.	%
1. No one to mind the children.	0	0	15	21
2. Not necessary	6	5	4	6
3. Doors to Offices locked.	5	4	39	55

Domestic responsibilities, therefore, were not overwhelmingly mentioned as constituting the primary obstacle to women working over-time. Other factors mentioned above were more pertinent. And it is also conceivable that overtime does not receive much weight as a measure of efficiency or inefficiency and therefore a consideration for advancement.

With regard to the quota system it tends to be seen not necessarily as providing more jobs for women but essentially less jobs for men. Therefore, where men are 'breadwinners' and must be employed and women's careers regarded as secondary to men's, its acceptability would require strong continued governmental and ideological support. But prospects of its institution at a time when the service is experiencing contraction in established posts seems remote.

Female respondents were just as specific and unanimous in what they expect of men as their contribution to the enhancement of employment and advancement opportunities of women. 91 per cent of women recommend that men change their "traditional attitudes and regard/accept women as partners in the development effort". Women consider the influence of those attitudes of their male counterparts significant in the work environment, particularly with respect to recruitment and promotion exercises. The fact that only two respondents (males) out of a total of 204 had female supervisors underscores the significance of these concerns of women. The success or effectiveness of any attempts to improve the representation of women in the service, such as the quota system would require not only stringent policing but also programmes aimed at modifying these attitudes that are considered obstacles to gender balancing.

Also significant was the fact that none of the females alluded to their role as socializing agents in the eradication of these traditional male attitudes which they consider as obstacles to their advancement and representation. This is not to say that men as fathers have no role to play in the socialization process, but that role is often subordinated to their primary role as "breadwinners".

Evidence in the study showed that an overwhelming majority of sons did not assist mothers with household duties. If women do not expect this assistance and are neither demanding it nor attempting to effect change because those attitudes constitute a component part of traditional social values, then it is conceivable that women by condonation are perpetuating those attitudes in sons and daughters who grow up to be men and women.

Tokenism as Potential Obstacle to Gender Balancing

Tokenism is defined by the Oxford dictionary as "granting minimum concessions, making only a token effort". Tokenism refers to a situation where a particular social group is so grossly under-represented in numerical proportion in an organization that the particular social group operates at a disadvantage. The group could be those very few men among a preponderance of women, or that one black person among a preponderance of white people or vice versa. Therefore, being token is generally not unique to any social group. In the Ministry of Health for example, men in general, would be considered tokens. With regard to the share of responsible positions, in all the sampled institutions, the number of women in Division 1 are so few that they constitute the tokens. Again in the Central Committee of UNIP the representation of women had been 12 per cent since 1974 and only increased to 16 per cent in 1984. Here too, women can be regarded as tokens and the achievement

of political equality women have won seems to have fallen short with respect to the highest decision making body of the country.

A phenomenon of a token is the fact that he or she is different or is a rarity. This makes the token visible and in turn causes him or her to operate at a disadvantage. There is also the psychological aspect of tokenism. Because of her visibility the token conceivably strives not only for excellence but also may adopt some special characteristics and behaviour patterns of the majority or predominant group in order to be accepted or become one of them.

As Panandiker and Kshirsagar (1971) indicated in their study, mentioned above, the number of promotions enjoyed by higher public servant is a relevant factor in the degree to which he is inclined to be rule and regulation-bound. In this study there was a general consensus among female respondents that they are compelled to "work harder" in order to gain recognition from both male peers and supervisors because of certain general societal attitudes and beliefs already mentioned.

If the pace of the promotion and advancement of women is slower because of their biological roles and domestic responsibilities encroaching on their working lives; and if they are compelled to excel to gain the recognition for efficiency which is accorded males by virtue of their gender and because they constitute the predominant group in the

service, then it is conceivable that women would be more rule and regulation bound. It is conceivable that where their decisions influence the recruitment and advancement of others, especially those of other females, they would strive to appear not to show any favouritism and therefore apply rules and regulations more rigidly than males. In this way tokenism could be regarded as a potential obstacle to the increase in the representation of women. Tokenism would tend to be pertuated.

Furthermore, if the primary objective of permitting the representation of women in higher bureaucracy is to give a semblance of supporting values and stemming criticism, then once that objective is accomplished, the need to increase the representation of women would weaken and tokenism as a potential or real obstacle toward a gender balanced bureaucracy would persist.

A possible solution to this state of affairs would be to encourage a general increase in the representation of women to avoid scattering them or spreading them so thinly over many departments. In other words their clustering should be encouraged only to a degree so that they are not identified as tokens.

CHAPTER FOUR

CONCLUSIONS

A number of conclusions are derived from the data thus far presented. Firstly, bureaucracy is more representative of men than of women. Women are under-represented in numerical terms in both the higher bureaucracy and the pool of available and qualified person to be recruited into the higher service. Vertical occupational segregation exists in all departments investigated. Contrary to the assumption made and expectations, horizontal occupational segregation was found to exist only in the Ministry of Health.

The pattern of attrition of women in public bureaucracy seems to be a reflection of the attrition or wastage rate of women in the educational system from lower to higher levels. This, and their pattern of fields of specialization in education would seem to imply an effective application of the merit system in their recruitment into the service.

The merit system, however, has been found to harbour some ascriptive criteria. These defects do not victimize randomly where men and women are competing for specific jobs or top positions, and under the most stringent application of the system, the gender of an applicant has been found to influence selection procedures. In addition, various societal values and attitudes transmitted through socialization processes all impinge on decision-making

processes involved in the application of the merit system of recruitment mainly to the disadvantage of women.

Various mechanisms are, however, instituted in an attempt to establish fairness in recruitment and promotion practices in the service. There is the seniority system which in combination with the merit system may only have the desired or intended effect of establishing some degree of fairness in the promotion of candidates to higher positions. In the recruitment of new entrants such mechanisms as the panel system of interviewing and the rating system of interviewees do not seem to be effective means of completely eliminating the influence of deeply held prejudices. The most important of such attitudes are those that regard men as "breadwinners" and place men's careers in a primary position and relegate women's to a secondary one irrespective of the marital status and financial responsibilities of the latter. These attitudes disregard the significant number of women who are single parents, head of households and 'breadwinners' of their families.

Other significant obstacles to the fair representation of women in the service lie in their biological functions and domestic responsibilities which encroach on their working lives. The fact that women perform a "double shift" is recognized although no allowances are made for this in recruitment and promotion practices. They are under represented among those selected for training programmes

crucial in the consideration of promotability. Thus while women's capacity to participate effectively in the workplace is hampered, male managers or males in the higher service are increasing through their selection for management training programmes.

The most significant obstacles, however, consist of state policies and legal structures which in their intent to protect the "weaker sex" by proscribing and prescribing various areas of employment for women, tend to protect those jobs for men and thus contribute to vertical and horizontal occupational segregation.

The constitutional provision of equal remuneration for equal work for men and women and the tax laws of Zambia (before the 1982 amendment) exemplified the ambivalence in the treatment of women. While the former acknowledged the equality of men and women, the latter reinforced the supplementary role of women's remuneration and the secondary position of their careers.

The customary inheritance system provides another example underlining the fact that whatever political equality Zambian women might have earned as result of their contribution towards the struggle for independence has been superimposed on both social and economic inequality. In these respects bureaucratic representation can be said to reflect the power structure of society and bureaucracy represents the dominant forces-males-in society.

Furthermore, the psychology of tokenism suggests that the very fact of women's under-representation in public bureaucracy has the potential of perpetuating that situation. As earlier suggested, to alleviate the psychological effects of tokenism there should be concerted effort to avoid spreading women, the tokens, thinly over departments but encourage clustering them in, all departments, to the point at which they would not be easily indentified as tokens.

Data obtained from the study also support the assumption that there is a high degree of awareness of what constitutes sexual harassment although there was some degree of respondent inhibition in discussing the subject. This phenomenon also represents a real and potential impediment to not only women's representation in public bureaucracy but their longevity and survival in formal employment.

The size of the service and the limited number of available positions constitute the major hinderances to mobility, than such factors as tribe or ethnic origin, working overtime or taking work home. Gender was also cited as a factor hindering promotion of women.

Among the various suggestions extended towards the establishment of a gender balanced bureaucracy were the provision of creches and the expansion of the educational system. While the latter might receive some attention in the

present prioritization of economic development programmes, the fate of the former is rather doubtful.

The current economic situation has, however, forced the government to ensure that bureaucracy is responsive to the needs of society. Bureaucracies, in the course of their development become

states within states, perfecting elaborate machinery for their governance and reducing to a minimum the area of detailed supervision by the political organs. They developed a corporate character and an independent institutional existence. This is taken by some as additional evidence of an insatiable bureaucratic thirst for power. But it is inevitable (Kingsley, 1944: 186).

Bureaucratic reshuffles constitute a mechanism that is used in Zambia to prevent the tendency of bureaucratic machinery to insulate itself and possibly seek its own interests. In a single-minded attempt to achieve a compliant and responsive bureaucracy, and also tackle the task of economic development, demands for women's representation in public bureaucracy are liable to be branded either unimportant, foreign or capitalist instigated. Nevertheless, it is possible that combined with other mechanisms, as well as bureaucratic reshuffles, a bureaucracy that is representative of both men and women would be more responsive to societal needs and concerns and become more development oriented for

The unwitting revenge of women in the world today is that they are essential to the solution of all its great political problems. Over-population, starvation, under-development, illiteracy-all these issues can only be

solved with the assistance of women. The most powerful political leaders cannot impose policies of population control, of economic development and expansion without the positive contribution of women (Sullerot, 1971: 248)

If women are to assist government in vital development issues, then it is vital to increase their effectiveness in influencing policy issues by eliminating the various obstacles to their representation in the higher service. A gender balanced bureaucracy should, therefore, become a crucial part of development policy in Zambia rather than allowing it to become a mere token or symbol of egalitarianism.

Women, themselves, must assume a measure of responsibility in promoting their status in society. They can do this more effectively by increasing their organizational ability. In this study, some women respondents were unable to participate in women's groups activities for lack of child-care facilities. Women's absenteeism in the work place, a possible subject for future research, has also, in part, been attributed to the same factor. A well organized women's group may be able to provide nursery facilities for its members. It may also be more effective in communicating the needs of women to the relatively new women's department in the Sectorial Planning Department of the National Commission for Development Planning (NCDP).

The family nucleus, as a locus where models, values and roles are transmitted and learned is buttressed by other socializing agents such as the information media, educational materials and the education system. However, "since roles are learned, there is always the possibility that they can be unlearned, and the definitions of the roles themselves redefined". In fact, research has confirmed an improvement in sex-role stereotyping. Oullette and White (1978-in Basow 1980) in their study on occupational preferences among grade school pupils found that occupations chosen for females generally tended to be non-traditional while those chosen for males were still traditional. The reseachers attribute this, in part, to the effects of the feminist movement "in breaking stereotypes for females. Clearly, however, males need help, too, in breaking free from the confines of their roles" (Basow 1980 : 162)

Women's role as socializing agents, therefore, requires special emphasis. Women respondents specifically cited, as a major obstacle to their advancement, the attitudes and non-acceptance as partners in national development efforts by their male counterparts. Women's present efforts to educate the public on factors contributing to their secondary status need to be supplemented by new patterns of socialization of children in the home. Socialization patterns that would eventually results in male members of a household participating fully in and sharing domestic responsibilities.

Other socializing agents that directly or indirectly contribute to the development and maintenance of sex-role stereotypes and sex-role expectations must support women's efforts to establish new socialization patterns. Language must change. Occupation terms can be neutralized so that instead of 'policemen' the term "police officer" or 'law enforcement officer" are used. The media must begin to depict females in positive, non-traditional roles. In children's educational material Mulenga and his father must be seen to be participating in domestic work rather than shown waiting to be served their dinner by Jellitta and her mother. All these must be accompanied by curriculum changes and offerings in schools that would help both males and females unlearn negative sex-roles.

In fact, the present dire economic situation necessitates this and will help, rather than hinder, the process of change of societal regard of wage employment and careers for women as vital and elevate women's remuneration from its secondary position to a level similar to men's. Legislative structures that had been impediments to this and the representation of women in certain categories of employment will then be forced to keep pace with changed societal attitudes and values.

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Appendix 1

Ministerial Departments

1. Agriculture and Water Development

- a) Agricultural Research
Department
 - b) Water Affairs
 - c) Integrated Rural
Development Programme
 - d) Agricultural Department
 - e) Rural Information
Services
 - f) Veterinary and Tsetse
Control
 - g) Planing Division
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2. Commerce and Industry

- a) Head Office
 - b) Internal Trade
 - c) Assize
 - d) Price Control
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3. Finance and National Commission for Development Planning (NCDP)

- a) Finance
 - b) NCDP
 - c) Central Statistical Office
 - d) Data Processing Centre
 - e) Budget Division
 - f) Revenue Inspectorate
 - g) Audit
 - h) Accounts Division
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Appendix 1 (Cont'd)

4. Health

- a) Food and Drug Control Laboratory
 - b) University Teaching Hospital
 - c) School of Nursing
 - d) Medical Council
 - e) General Nursing Council
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5. Labour and Social Services

- a) Head Office
 - b) Labour Department
 - c) Educational and Occupational Assessment Division
 - d) Social Development Department
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6. Legal Affairs

- a) Administrative Department
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7. National Guidance, Information and

Broadcasting

- a) Head Office-Information and Broadcasting
 - b) Zambia Information Services.
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Appendix 1 (Cont'd)

National Guidance

- c) Radio Zambia
 - d) Zambia Television
 - e) Zambia Daily Mail
 - f) Times of Zambia
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8. Power Transport
and Communications

- a) Civil Aviation
Department
 - b) Road Traffic
Commission
-

9. Public Service

- a) Commission
 - b) Staff
-

Appendix 2

Parastatals

1. ZIMCO a) Head Office
2. ZIMCO Properties
3. Zambia Pork Products
4. Agricultural Finance Corporation
5. National Milling Company a) Head Office
b) Cairo Road Branch
c) Malambo Road Branch
6. Zambia State Insurance Corporation - Head Office
7. INDECO
8. National Drug Company
9. Metal Marketing Corporation-MEMACO
10. National Import and Export Company (NIEC)
11. Zambia National Commercial Bank. b) Head Office
Lusaka Main Branch
12. Zambia National Clearing and Forwarding Company.
13. United Bus Company
14. Zambia National Wholesale and Marketing Company.
15. Zambia Electricity Services Corporation (ZESCO).
16. Zambia Consolidated Copper Mining Company Limited.

Appendix 3

Ministerial Departments

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| 1. Agriculture and
Water Development | a) Agricultural Research
Department

b) Water Affairs

c) Integrated Rural
Development Programme

d) Agricultural Department

e) Veterinary and Tsetse
Control

f) Planning Division |
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| 2. Commerce and Industry | a) Industry Department

b) Internal Trade
Department

c) Assize

d) Price Control |
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| 3. Finance and NCDF | a) Central Statistics

b) NCDF

c) Finance

d) Accounts

e) Audit

f) Budget Office |
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Appendix 3 (Cont'd)

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| 4. Health | a) Food and Drug Control
b) Medical Council
c) School of Nursing |
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| 5. Labour and Social Services | a) Head office
b) Labour Department
c) Educational and Occupational Assessment
d) Social Development |
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| 6. Legal Affairs | a) Administrative Department |
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| 7. National Guidance, Information and Broadcasting | a) Information and Broadcasting
b) Zambia Information Services
c) Radio Zambia
d) Television Zambia. |
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| 8. Power Transport and Communications | a) Civil Aviation
b) Road Traffic Commission |
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Appendix 4

Parastatals

1. ZIMCO Properties
 2. INDECO
 3. MEMACO
 4. ZESCO
 5. Zambia Pork Products
 6. National Drug Company
 7. Zambia National Wholesale and Marketing Company
 8. National Milling Company
 9. Zambia National Clearing and Forwarding
 10. Zambia State Insurance Corporation.
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Appendix 5

Divisions and Corresponding Grades in the Civil Service and their Parastatal Equivalent.

	Division I	Division II	Division III
<u>Civil Service</u>			
Administrative Scale	S/1-S8	S/9-S/13	S/13 and below
General Professional Scale	GPS/1-GPS/8	GPS/9	-
Technical	TS/1-TS/2	TS/3-TS/6	TS/7 and below
Medical	MS/1-MS/10	MS/11-MS/13	MS/13 and below
Education	ES/1-ES/11	ES/12-ES/18	ES/19 and below
Technical	TES/1-TES/9	TES/10-TES/11	-
Parastatal*	Z8-Z7/6	Z6-Z5/4	Z4 and below

***Note:** The above are only rough classifications of grades in parastatals since their salary scales are higher and there is some overlap between divisions.

Appendix 6

Classification of Respondents by Gender

Public Service

N = 204

Male = 125

Female = 79

University of Zambia Undergraduates

N = 30

Male = 15

Female = 15

Appendix 7: Classification of Civil Service Staff by Gender and Numerical
Representation by Gender in Responsible Positions - April 1986

Ministerial Departments	Total Staff	Male	Female	Total Responsible Officers	Male Responsible Officers	Female Responsible Officers
Labour and Social Services						
Head Office	52	33	19	11	11	0
Labour Department	40	23	17	5	4	1
Educational & Occupational Assessment	21	17	4	6	4	2
Social Development Department	77	46	31	6	6	0
Totals	190	119	71	28	25	3
Percentage of Men and Women	100	63	37	100	89	11
Finance and National Commission for Development Planning (NCDP)						
Central Statistical Office	218	198	20	52	47	5
Data Processing Centre	96	52	44	13	13	0
NCDP	111	71	40	52	37	15
Finance	173	112	61	13	13	0
Budget Inspectorate	30	27	3	30	27	3
Revenue Inspectorate	5	5	0	5	5	0
Audit	17	16	1	5	5	0
Accounts Division	146	134	12	22	22	1
Totals	796	615	181	192	168	24
Percentage of Men and Women	100	77	23	100	88	12
National Guidance, Information and Broadcasting						
Head Office	59	45	14	12	12	0
Zambia Information Services	341	316	25	7	7	0
Radio Zambia	96	78	18	1	1	0
Zambia Television	110	95	15	1	1	0
Zambia Daily Mail	154	129	25	*	*	* Figures
Times of Zambia	65	56	9	6	5	1 not available
Totals	825	719	106	27	26	1
Percentage of Men and Women	100	87	13	100	96	4

Appendix 7 Cont'd

Commerce and Industry

Head Office	20	13	7	10	9	1
Internal Trade	30	21	9	8	7	1
Assize	38	33	3	3	3	0
Price Control- Head Office	11	9	2	5	5	0
Lusaka Province	25	21	4	1	1	0

Totals	124	97	27	27	25	2
Percentage of Men and Women	100	78	22	100	93	7

Agriculture and Water Development

Agricultural Research Dept.	48	45	3	28	28	0
Water Affairs	41	36	5	12	12	0
Integrated Rural Deve. Prog.	25	22	3	2	2	0
Agriculture Department	46	23	23	23	23	9
Rural Information Service: Division 1,2,3,4	148	123	25	2	1	1
Veterinary and Tsetse Control	50	47	3	10	10	0
Planning Division	62	45	17	51	39	12

Totals	420	341	79	128	115	13
Percentage of Men and Women	100	81	19	100	90	10.0

Power, Transport & Communications- Civil Aviat

Road Traffic Commission	122					
Power, Transport and Communications	176					

Totals	853	752	101	60	60	0
Percentage of Men and Women	100	88	12	100	100	0

Legal Affairs	71	38	33	35	25	10
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Percentage of Men and Women	100	54	46	100	71	29
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Health

Food and Drug Control Labs	47	37	10	4	3	1
UTH	2760	924	1036	17	12	5
School of Nursing	54	0	54	3	0	3
Medical Council (Admini. Staff)	10	7	3	3	3	0
Councillors				16	14	2
General Nursing Council	16	6	10	7	1	4* *2 var
Councillors				17	2	15

Totals	2987	974	1913	67	35	30 2
Percentages of Men and Women	100	34	66	100	52	45 3

Public Service Commission

Commission members	6	4	2	0	0	0
Staff	28	10	18	3	1	2

Totals	34	14	20	3	1	2
Percentage of Men and Women	100	41	59	100	33	67

Annex 8: Gender Classification of Parastatals Sector Employees - April 1986

	Total No. of Employees	Male Employees	Female Employees	Total Management Staff	Male Management Staff	Female Management Staff
CO	111	70	41	45	43	2
CO Properties	114	100	14	11	11	0
Agricultural Finance Corporation	248	226	22	9	9	0
Zambia Pork Products	192	171	21	20	18	2
National Milling Company						
Head Office	86	57	29	9	7	2
Cairo Road Branch	339	329	10	*	*	*) Not Av
Malambo Road Branch	579	570	9	*	*	*)
Zambia State Insurance Corporation	1200	900	300	64	61	3
ECO	274	198	86	17	13	4
National Drug Company	286	186	100	34	26	8
National Marketing Corporation	106	76	30	18	14	4
National Import and Export Company	55	43	12	12	12	0
Zambia National Commercial Bank						
Head Office	294	196	98	27	26	1
Lusaka Main Branch	120	71	57	4	3	1
Zambia National Clearing & Forwarding	184	162	22	20	20	0
ated Bus Company-Country Wide	(2670	2456	214)*			Not Adde
Lusaka Offices - Long Distance	132	119	131	43	43	0
Local Branch	161	142	191	19	19	0
Coach Service	61	46	151	11	10	1
Zambia National -						
Lesale Marketing Co.	724	635	89	11	11	0
CO : General Services Division	383	316	67	20	17	3
CO : Head Office	264	199	75			
Zambia Airways	1655	1358	297			
Totals	7576	6150	1426	394	363	31
Percentage of Men and Women	100	81	19	100	92	8

Appendix 9 : Ministerial Department Employees by Division and Gender

1986/1

1992/2

Divisions	I		II		III		I		II		III	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Ministerial Departments												
Labour and Social Services	5	0	6	0	22	19	3	0	6	0	36	0
Labour Department	3	0	4	1	16	16	9	0	34	0	84	41
Education & Occupational Assessment	2	1	4	1	11	2	2	1	5	0	13	2
Industrial Development Dept.	5	0	4	1	37	30	7	0	39	3	50	16
Total	15	1	18	3	86	67	21	1	84	3	642	59
Percentage of Men & Women	94	6	86	14	56	44	95	5	97	3	92	8
Finance and NCDP												
General Statistics	33	5	27	1	138	14	14	1	40	6	129	22
Accounts	20	4	26	14	25	22	31	2	44	5	38	0
Finance	8	0	7	4	97	57						
Accounts	8	1	25	2	99	11	15	0	52	0	161	45
Directorate	3	0	10	1	3	0						
Director Office	14	1	13	2	0	0	9	2	7	1	0	0
Total	86	11	108	24	362	104	69	5	143	12	328	67
Percentage of Men & Women	89	11	82	18	78	22	93	7	92	8	93	17
Regional Guidance, Information and Broadcasting							4	0	10	0	14	6
Regional Information Service	7	0	8	0	28	14	7	0	10	0	29	13
Regional Information Service	5	0	25	1	286	24	5	0	36	1	304	6
Regional Information Service	1	0	28	2	49	16	1	0	28	2	57	15
Regional Information Service	1	0	4	0	90	15	1	0	10	1	84	14
Total	14	0	65	3	453	69	18	0	94	4	498	54
Percentage of Men & Women	100	0	96	4	87	13	100	0	96	4	90	10

Appendix 11

Age and Marital Profile of Respondents

Age		20-29		30-39		40-49		50-59	
Gender		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Married	162	9	5	48	53	39	0	8	0
Separated	6	0	0	1	2	2	0	1	0
Unmarried Single parent.	9	0	6	0	3	0	0	0	0
Single	24	9	10	5	0	0	0	0	0
Not Stated	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	204	18	21	54	58	41	0	9	0

Appendix 12: Entry Point Requirements for Civil Servants

A. Administrative Scales

1. Institute of Bankers - Diploma
2. NRDC Diploma in Agriculture Business Studies, Zambia Diploma in Accountancy, UNZA Diploma in Social Work/ Community Development.
3. University Graduate
4. University Graduate plus extra year of approved training.

B. General Professional Scale.

1.
 - i) Four-year professional UNZA graduate
 - ii) Financial ACWA, CCA, CIS.
2. Five year professional UNZA graduate and equivalent.
3. Six year professional UNZA graduate and equivalent
4. Four year professional UNZA graduate and equivalent

C. Medical Scale

1. Junior Resident Medical Officer
2. Senior Resident Medical Officer
3. Veterinary Officer
4. Registrar
5. Government Medical and Dental Officer
6. Newly qualified Health Inspector and Sister (Mental)
7. Health Inspector with meat inspection qualifications.
8. Pharmacy Technician, Registered Nurse, Medical Assistant (3 year Diploma and recognized by the Medical Council of Zambia). All other holders of school certificate of three GCE 'O' levels plus 3 years training.

D. Technical Scales

1. NRDC Diploma or Diploma from other recognized institutions obtained after a three year course of training.
2. City and Guilds Certificate.

E. Educations Scales

1. Teacher untrained University Graduate
2. Teacher, trained University Graduate
3. Lecturer, Grade II.
4. i) Non-graduate Secondary School Teacher with a year diploma.
ii) Grade 12 Primary School Teacher with 2 years' training.
5. Non-graduate Secondary School Teacher with 3 years' diploma.
6. Continuing Education Organizer.

D. Technical Education Scales

1. Zambia Diploma in Technology, Accountancy or Applied Arts plus 2 years' relevant work experience after obtaining the qualifications or equivalent qualifications from a recognized training institute outside Zambia.
2. i) Higher Technical Commercial or professional Diploma with 2 years' of relevant work experience after obtaining the Diploma.
ii) First University Degree in Technology, Accountancy or Applied Arts plus 2 years' relevant work experience after obtaining the University Degree.
3. Masters Degree in Technology, Accountancy or Applied Arts, plus 2 years' or relevant work experience after obtaining the Masters Degree.
4. Trades School Leaving Certificate plus 2 years' of relevant work experience after obtaining the Trades Certificate plus a Technical Teacher's Certificate.

5. Advance Technician Certificate plus 2 years of relevant work experience after obtaining the Technician Certificate plus a Technical Teacher's Certificate.

Source: GRZ: Summary of the Main Recommendations of the Administrative Committee of Inquiry into the Salaries, Salary Structures and conditions of Service, together with the Party and Its Government's Reactions to the Recommendations. The Zambia Public and Teaching Service, The Judicial Service and the Zambia Police and Prisons Service. Government Paper No. 1 of 1985, Government Printer, Lusaka.

Appendix 13.

Educational Attainment of Population (5 years and over)
by Gender 1969 and 1980

	Male				Female				Total	
	1969		1980		1969		1980		1966	1980
	No.	XT	No.	XT	No.	XT	No.	XT		
No Schooling	667316	40	798949	41	998259	60	1161226	59	1665575	1960175
Primary	804990	58	1109484	52	593560	42	1030350	48	1398550	2138834
Secondary	103661	70	307661	67	43842	30	154671	33	147503	462332
Higher Education	64788	66	67866	74	33725	34	23796	26	98513	91662
Not Stated	37253	44	38458	52	47215	56	35693	48	84468	74151

Source: Government of Zambia, Central Statistical Office
1980 Population Census, 1985

Appendix 14: Full time Enrolment - College, Technical and Vocational
Institutions by Programme and Gender 1975, 1979 and 1982

Programme	1975		1979		1982	
	M	F	M	F	M	F
Pre-Vocational Training	635	0	0	0	0	0
Academic	188	11	0	0	0	0
Trades/Crafts and Industrial Technical	2812	15	2511	26	2760	36
Engineering/Technician						
Science and Paramedical	196	64	230	78	217	76
Business Studies and						
Applied Arts	528	33	542	109	619	220
Secretarial	34	498	0	1027	1	840
Air Services	264	3	114	5	161	11
Technical Teacher Training	145	5	336	45	290	77
Other	0	0	0	0	216	63
Totals	4802	619	3929	1332	4264	1330
Percentage	89	11	75	25	76	24

Source: Bardouille, R. (1985) Women's Employment Patterns,
Discrimination and Promotion in Zambia Unpublished
Report for ILO/JASPA.

Appendix 15 : University of Zambia (Lusaka and Ndola Campuses) - Student Enrolment
Statistics 1983/1984 Through 1985/1986

1985/1986	Full Time		Part Time		Correspondence		Postgraduate		Total	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Agricultural Science	224	9	7	0	0	0	0	0	231	9
Engineering	320	0	35	0	0	0	2	0	357	0
Medicine	194	89	0	2	0	0	9	1	203	92
Mines	164	0	1	0	0	0	24	0	189	0
Natural Science	614	59	0	0	0	0	13	3	627	62
Veterinary Medicine	46	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	5
Environmental Studies	265	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	265	56
Business & Industrial Studies	143	13	16	19	0	0	0	0	159	32
Centre for Continuing Education	13	8	0	0	11	1	0	0	24	9
Education	572	180	14	5	392	42	23	10	1001	237
Humanities & Social Sciences	406	226	9	10	211	18	17	8	643	262
Law	68	32	29	2	0	0	11	3	100	37
Sub-Total	3029	677	111	30	614	61	99	25	3853	801

1984/1985

Agricultural Science	231	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	231	15
Engineering	317	2	6	0	0	0	2	0	325	2
Medicine	184	98	0	3	0	0	6	2	190	103
Mines	180	0	2	0	0	0	15	0	197	0
Natural Sciences	572	46	16	3	0	0	12	4	600	53
Veterinary Medicine	27	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	5
Environmental Studies	116	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	116	12

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Business and Industrial Studies	338	77	3	2	0	0	0	0	341	79
Centre for Continuing Education	14	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	6
Education	557	178	32	9	366	38	11	4	966	229
Humanities and Social Sciences	390	289	12	13	195	16	16	11	613	249
Law	80	34	35	0	0	0	16	8	131	50
Sub-Total	3086	682	106	38	561	54	78	29	3751	803

1983/1984

Agricultural Science	204	13	2	0	0	0	*	206	13
Engineering	276	2	15	0	0	0		291	2
Medicine	182	90	0	0	0	0		182	90
Mines	181	1	10	0	0	0		191	1
Natural Sciences	689	57	12	3	0	0		621	60
Veterinary Medicine	12	2	0	0	0	0		12	2
Business and Industrial Studies	290	90	10	6	0	0		300	96
Centre for Continuing Studies	16	1	0	0	0	0		16	1
Education	485	185	44	2	334	42		863	229
Humanities and Social Sciences	336	242	12	3	171	12		519	527
Law	75	39	28	3	0	0		103	41
Environmental Studies	93	6	0	0	0	0		93	6
Sub-Total	2759	727	133	17	505	54		3397	798

Source: University of Zambia (Planning Office - Lusaka) March 1986 *Figures not available.

6 : University of Zambia - Graduating Students by Programme and Gender
1974/1975 to 1983/1984

Programme	1974/1975		1975/1976		1976/1977		1977/1978		1978/1979		1979/1980		1980/1981		1981/1982		1982/1983		1983/1984		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M
Mathematics	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Social Work	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Social	0	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	3	1	3	0	4	0	6	2	11	2	30
Education	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	2	0	3	0	1	0	5	0	18
Commerce & Int.Law	1	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	3	0	2	0	5	0	19
Medical	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	3	1	0	0	1	1	9
Engineering	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	5
Total	3	2	3	0	1	1	3	0	2	0	10	2	11	3	16	1	11	3	22	4	82

Undergraduate - Science and En Engineering

Science	24	3	27	0	24	1	20	6	8	3	15	3	18	5	36	7	3	0	24	1	199
Engineering	29	0	23	0	28	0	36	0	31	0	38	0	44	0	32	0	74	0	35	0	390
(Ch.B.Human Surgery)	43	10	36	10	49	15	63	19	43	13	58	10	58	13	66	13	68	4	48	20	531
Nursing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	11	0
Sciences	4	0	5	0	18	0	11	0	13	0	35	0	31	0	31	0	44	0	37	0	221
Total	31	0	52	7	56	2	52	6	20	1	16	1	20	3	38	2	31	1	39	5	355
Total	131	13	143	17	166	18	182	31	115	17	162	14	171	21	203	30	220	10	203	37	1696

Arts and Social Science

ation BA &	89	23	102	29	106	29	126	33	126	23	172	36	144	30	139	43	116	43	103	26	1221
. Sc.	5	4	1	1	4	1	4	3	5	1	6	4	12	8	11	14	3	7	6	6	57
al Work																					
unting &																					
Business Studies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	69	7	82	11	79	16	47	17*	277
unities and																					
al Sciences	66	12	66	10	99	13	75	46	80	42	42	83	132	68	101	70	122	78	74	46	898
	42	6	32	2	49	1	56	8	43	6	6	46	34	9	43	14	45	11	31	7	427
ary Studies																					
Sc	1	6	3	4	7	6	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	2	6	4	3	6	4	8	49
Total	203	51	202	46	265	50	265	94	259	77	317	99	397	124	383	156	368	161	265	110	2923

Diplomas

t Education	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	0	3	0	23	0	0	0	0	0	67
ary Studies	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	1	0	0	6	2	0	0	0	3	7	4	5	3	28
ing Education	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	11	0	10	0	0	0	15	0	15	1	10	1
al Work	9	2	9	5	6	6	0	0	6	1	4	3	3	4	2	0	3	4	4	3	46
her Education	25	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
Total	35	7	9	5	6	6	9	15	6	12	51	15	6	4	25	18	10	23	10	16	167

Cert. Education	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
. Adult Educ.	17	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	6	0	7	0	4	0	46
. in Law	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
. in Library																					
udies	16	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
. Public																					
Health and Nursing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	14	0	10	0	0	0	9	0	10	0	9	0
Total	33	7	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	14	0	10	12	0	6	9	7	10	4	9	0
ND TOTAL	405	88	357	68	438	75	459	152	382	120	540	140	597	152	632	214	616	207	504	176	4930

Source: University of Zambia, Lusaka, Planning Office, March 1986.

APPENDIX 17

Course Attendance Records: 1983-1985 National Institute of Public Administration (NIPA).

Workshop/ Seminar	Total Attendance	Male	Female
1. Workshop for Principals and Equivalent Positions.			
a) November/December 1983	22	20	2
b) May/June 1984	16	16	0
c) June/July 1985	24	21	3
2. Assistant Secretaries Workshop.			
a) September/ October 1984	13	13	0
b) August/September 1985	11	11	0
3. Under Secretaries/ Directors Workshop			
a) July 1983	14	14	0
b) July 1984	13	13	0
c) May 1985	8	8	0
d) October 1985	14	14	0

Source: Registry NIPA April 1987

APPENDIX 18

Established Posts in the Civil Service (Excluding Parastatals)
Size of Civil Service 1983 - 1986

	1983	1984	1985	1986	1983-1986 Differential
Open Scale Posts	200	205	195	195	-5
Admin. Scale Posts	22789	18631	18891	18679	-4110
Gen. Prof. Scale Posts	1118	1289	1169	1203	85
Technical Scale Posts	4811	5863	5115	5189	378
Medical Scale Posts	9355	9892	9849	9849	494
Educ. Scale Posts	23730	24549	24557	24547	1217
Techn. Ed. Scale Posts	790	773	769	769	-21
Police, Prison, Rescue/ Fire Service	13650	12978	12952	12952	-698
District Messenger Scale	1826	892	892	982	-134
Secretarial	1849	2257	2191	2188	339
Total	78918	76447	76580	76463	-2455

Decrease of 3 per cent

Source: GRZ Establishment Registers 1983, 1984
1985 and 1986, Government Printer, Lusaka.

Appendix 19

Number of Children of Respondents

Male Respondents

Age	No.	Average No. of Children	No. of Children
20-29	18	5.0	90
30-39	54	4.0	216
40-49	41	7.15	293
50-59	9	7.0	63
Total	122	5.4	662

Female Respondents

20-29	21	1.4	30
30-39	47	4.1	193
Total	68	5.5	223

All Respondents

Age	No. of Respondents	No. of Children	Average
20-29	39	120	3.1
30-39	101	409	4.1
40-49	41	293	1.15
50-90	9	63	7.0
Total	190	885	4.7

Questionnaire 1 for all Public Servants.

Personal Data

A. Gender

1. Male
2. Female []

B. Ethnic Origin

1. Bemba
2. Nyanja
3. Tonga []
4. Lozi
5. Other (Specify)

C. Place of birth

Specify Village and District

D. Marital Status

1. Single
2. Married
3. Divorced/Separated []
4. Widowed
5. Deserted

E. Age

1. Under 20 years
2. 20-29 years
3. 30-39 years
4. 40-49 years
5. 50-59 years
6. 60 years and above

[]

Actual age

F. Education

Highest level attained

1. No education
2. Grade 1-4
3. Grade 5-7
4. Form 1-3
5. Form 4-6
6. University
7. Other (specify)

[]

G. Where did you receive your education?

Specify which Village or Town

Primary

Secondary

Other

[]

H. Subject read at highest
educational institution attended.

I. How many children do you have?

J. Ages of children	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
1. Under 5 years		
2. 6-10 years		
3. 11-15 years		
4. 16-20 years		
5. 21-25 years		
6. 26-30 years		
7. 31-35 years		
8. 35 and above		

K. Number of children in School?	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
1. No. Schooling		
2. Grade 1-4		
3. Grade 5-7		
4. Form 1-3		
5. Form 4-6		
6. University		
7. Other (specify).		

L. Occupation of working children?

1. Public/Civil Servant	
2. Private Sector Employment	[]
Specify occupation.	

Respondent's Career Data

1. Date you joined public service
2. Grade on entering public service
3. Job title on entering public service
4. Present job title
5. Present grade
6. Number of promotions since you joined the service
7. Have you received regular annual increaments?
 1. Yes
 2. No. []
8. If the answer is No. why not?

9. Gender of your immediate supervisor
 1. Male
 2. Female []
10. Do you work overtime?
 1. Yes
 2. No. []

If no, is it because

 1. Your spouse would disapprove?
 2. Lack of transportation?
 3. No one to mind the children?
 4. Unsafe?
 5. Other
11. Do you usually take work home?
 1. Yes
 2. No. []

12. Approximately how many times a week do you take
work home?

13. Do you go to your office on Saturdays to work?

1. Yes 2. No. []

14. Is Saturday a normal work day in your
organization?

1. Yes 2. No. []

15. Does your work involve travelling outside Lusaka?

1. Yes 2. No. []

16. Have you ever had to decline promotion because
it would involve moving to another part of
the country?

1. Yes 2. No. []

17. Have you ever had to decline promotion because
the new position would involve travelling?

1. Yes 2. No. []

18. Have you ever declined to compete for a job
higher than your position?

1. Yes 2. No. []

19. If yes, what was your reason for declining
to complete.

20. Do you think your advancement/promotion has been
1. very fast
 2. fast
 3. adequate
 4. not fast enough
 5. very slow

21. Please explain why?

22. Do you think promotion should be based on
1. merit/performance
 2. seniority
 3. merit/seniority
 4. Other (please specify)

23. Please explain

24. What factors do you think helped or hindered your advancement/promotion in your present career?

25. If your spouse were transferred to another job in another region, would you be willing to resign from your job and relocate?

- | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|--------|
| 1. | Yes | 2. | No | [] |
|----|-----|----|----|--------|

(a) If your answer is Yes please explain why?

(b) If your answer is No please explain why?

26. Have you ever had to relocate because your spouse was transferred to another job in another region?

1. Yes 2. No. []

27. If you were transferred to another region do you think your spouse would be willing to relocate?

1. Yes 2. No. []

28. Please explain why?

29. Has your spouse had to relocate because you were transferred in your job to another region?

1. Yes 2. No. []

30. What types of in-service training programmes in Zambia and overseas are available to persons in your grade?

31. How many have you attended? Please specify which ones?

32. How long did each course last?

33. Selection to attend the course was based on

1. competitive examinations
2. Nomination by supervisor []
3. nomination by Public Service Commission.

34. What is your father's occupation?

35. What is your mother's occupation?

36. What was your father's attitude towards your
choice of career?

1. strongly approved
2. approved
3. indifferent []
4. disapproved
5. strongly disapproved

37. Did your father want you to "follow in his
footsteps"?

- | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| 1. | Yes | 2. | No. | [] |
|----|-----|----|-----|-----|

38. What was your mother's attitude towards
your choice of career?

1. strongly approved

2. approved

3. indifferent

[]

4. disapproved

5. strongly disapproved

39. Did your mother want you to "follow in her footsteps"?

1. Yes

2. No.

[]

40. Who influenced your choice of career?

41. What influenced your choice of career?

42. Would you choose the same career if you had to do it again?

1. Yes

2. No

[]

1. What do you consider to be sexual harassment
in your place of work?

2. Is it a frequent occurrence?

1. Yes 2. No. []

3. Do you consider it a

- 1. misconduct by the person who initiates it
- 2. discriminatory of females
- 3. merely an encounter between the genders []
- 4. offensive behaviour
- 5. other (specify)

4. How do you think the ombudsman should handle a
report of sexual harassment?

5. How would you expect the female to handle such
harassment?

F1 Questionnaire for Female Staff

1. Do you practice family planning?

1. Yes 2. No. []

2. If not, why not?

1. my husband does not believe in family planning.

2. I do not believe in family planning

3. I do not practice family planning on religious grounds.

3. Do you have a bank account in your name only?

1. Yes 2. No. []
Savings. Current. Life Insurance

4. What portion of your salary do you budget for housekeeping expenses?

1. Total amount

2. Three quarters

3. Half

4. One quarter []

5. None

5. Do you belong to any Women's groups or associations?

1. Yes

2. No.

[]

6. If you belong to any women's associations how often are meetings held?

7. How often are you able to attend meetings?

8. If you do not belong to any women's associations why not?

9. How many maternity leaves of absence have you enjoyed since you joined the service?

10. In your opinion have these leaves of absence affected your rate of promotion and advancement in your career?

1. Yes

2. No.

[]

11. In what way have the leaves of absence affected your rate of promotion and advancement in your career?

12. Please indicate by marking with an X the reasons why you work.

1. financial reasons
2. my husband wants me to work
3. I want to have a career
4. for my own financial security
5. to provide for the needs of myself
6. to provide for the needs of my children
7. to provide for the needs of my extended family
8. working gives me a sense of independence
9. contribute my skills and expertise to the development of the country.
10. I enjoy my work
11. other

13. Why do you think there are so few women in decision making positions?

14. What do you think women can do to increase their numbers in decision making positions?

15. What can the government do?

16. What can men do?

17. Do you believe it is appropriate for a woman to be as ambitious in her career as a man?

1. strongly believe

2. believe

3. undecided

[]

4. do not believe

5. strongly against

In your home does the following (indicate
relationship of person to respondent).

	PERSON RESPONSIBLE								
	Self	Husband	Daughter	Son	Son's- Wife	My Mother	My Hus- band's Mother	Other	When do these Activi- ties tak place
house									
yard									
shes									
washing/									
Food & groceries)									
ern with homework)									

F2 Questionnaire for Female Staff

1. How would you deal with sexual harassment?

2. Do you think a negative reaction to sexual harassment
would result in

1. transfer from department
2. poor performance evaluation
3. loss of promotion
4. Other (specify)