Review of evaluation approaches and methods for interventions related to violence against women and girls (VAWG)

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Summary:

The purpose of this review is to generate a robust understanding of the strengths, weaknesses and appropriateness of evaluation approaches and methods in the field of development and humanitarian interventions on violence against women and girls (VAWG). It was commissioned by the Evaluation Department of the UK Department for International Development (DFID), with the goal of engaging policy makers, programme staff, evaluators, evaluation commissioners and other evaluation users in reflecting on ways to improve evaluations of VAWG programming. Better evaluations are expected to contribute to more successful programme design and implementation.

The review examines evaluations of interventions to prevent or reduce violence against women and girls within the contexts of development and humanitarian aid.

Rick Davies comment: This paper is of interest for two reasons: (a) The review process was the subject of a blog that documented its progress, from beginning to end. A limited number of comments were posted on the blog by interested observers (including myself) and these were responded to by the reviewers; (b) The review used Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA) as its means of understanding the relationship between attributes of evaluations in this area and their results. QCA is an interesting but demanding method even when applied on a modest scale.

I will post more comments here after taking the opportunity to read the review with some care.

The authors have also invited comments from anyone else who is interested, via their email address available in their report

Postscript 2014 10 08: At the EES 2014 at Dublin I made a presentation of the **Triangulation of QCA findings**, which included some of their data and analysis. You can see the presentation here on Youtube (it has attached audio). Michaela and Wolfgang have subsequently commented on that presentation and in turn I have responded to their comments

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