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Subject: Senegal 2005: Male Survey Variable Recode information? FGM/C

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I would like to double check some of the meanings of variables referenced in the SNMR4HFL.MAP file associated with the Men's Recode data for the Senegalese 2005 DHS survey. I am interested in the following two variables:

MG123           Circumcision should continue  
                  1 Continued  
                  2 Discontinued  
                  3 Depends  
                  8 DK  
                  (m) 9 Missing  
                  (na) NotAppl

MG124           Believes men want circumcision to continue  
                  1 Continue  
                  2 Discontinue  
                  3 Depends  
                  8 DK  
                  (m) 9 Missing  
                  (na) NotAppl

I think these are meant to correspond to the respondent's views of female circumcision practices because I think they correspond to these questions in the original questionnaire (FR177):

P. 466: Q.709 Pensez-vous que cette pratique doit être maintenue ou qu'elle doit disparaître ?

P. 466L Q.710 Pensez-vous que les femmes tiennent à ce que cette pratique soit conservée ou au contraire, pensez-vous qu'elles sont favorables à son abandon ?

Which are themselves prefaced with this:

P.466. Q.702 Dans certains pays, il existe une pratique qui consiste à couper une partie des organes génitaux externes des filles. Avez-vous déjà entendu parler de cette pratique?

I would like to check this against the recode manual but I can't find a reference to these variables in any of the recode manuals that I've found. The survey itself is DHS-IV. I am also confused about the fact that Q.710 references women's views on circumcision whereas the short description of MG124 is of the respondent's beliefs about men's attitudes.

Is there any other information available about these variables?

Many thanks in advance for your help and apologies if I am missing something obvious,

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