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摘要

婦女地位委員會 (Commission on the Status of Women, 簡稱 CSW) 係屬聯合國經濟社會理事會下眾多功能委員會之一, CSW 設立於 1946 年, 是國際上有關婦女議題的重要會議。近年來各國並以性別主流化為重要推動工作, 我國參與 CSW 確有其重要性, 主要目的有二: (一) 蒐集各國推動婦女議題重要發展文件, 掌握國際間婦女議題與發展趨勢。(二) 掌握國際新知, 了解 NGO 推動立法、修法等各項活動及督促政府改革的國際背景等。本 (57) 屆 CSW 會議主題為「消除與防治對女性一切形式的暴力行為」。CSW 相關會議大略可分為 CSW 會議、聯合國官方組織及國際性政府組織所舉辦的 CSW 平行會議、非政府組織所舉辦的 NGO CSW 平行會議等三類。

依據本次會議相關結論, 肯定性別平等是各項發展目標和防治女性暴力之重要檢視向度, 需持續檢視國家在各個層面性別平等之發展程度。會議除再次確立『婦權即人權』之理念外, 更認為性別平等的定位不只是發展目標之一, 性別平等應該是各個發展目標都要進行之檢視標準和核心價值, 而在發展目標方面, 建議因應時代變遷, 需要加入更為多元的目標, 像是經濟 (包括金融信貸)、暴力防治、權力決策、多元性別等。

觀察心得為會議辦理期間, 場次及參與 NGO 團體眾多, 主辦單位 (NGO CSW) 僅提供主辦 NGO 名稱及主題, 與會者光從討論主題挑選欲參與之場次, 並無法完整蒐集到相關意見或建議, 因此事先瞭解各與會 NGO 之組織簡介及其近期推動成果及訴求, 實屬重要。至與會建議事項為包括以下三點: (一) 有計畫培力參與與會成員, 強化與會準備。(二) 強化公部門代表與會任務, 及早指派代表。(三) 行前宣導性平政策, 提高能見度。

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第 57 屆聯合國婦女地位委員會相關會議

會議報告

會議時間：2013 年 3 月 4 日至 3 月 15 日

會議地點：美國紐約市

出席代表：國內婦女團體、專家學者及公部門代表等相關人員約 35 人參與。

壹、會議背景與目的

一、會議背景

1946 年聯合國成立時，亦成立了婦女地位委員會(Commission on the Status of Women, 簡稱 CSW)，該會是聯合國經濟和社會理事會 (United Nations Economic and Social Council, 簡稱 ECOSOC) 下之功能委員會，專門致力於性別平等和提高婦女地位的委員會。每年 3 月國際婦女節期間於聯合國總部(美國紐約)召開為期 2 週的會議，目的為檢視世界各國婦女人權落實狀況，促進各國政府重視並持續落實推動性別平等各項工作；同時，非政府組織婦女地位委員會 (UN NGO CSW) 也於聯合國總部對街的教堂中心 (Church Center) 舉辦平行會議 (Parallel Events)，包括各種論壇、座談會、工作坊、小組討論等等活動。

CSW 是由 45 個會員國選出來的代表所組成，代表分述如下：13 個來自非洲國家、11 個來自亞洲國家、4 個來自東歐國家、9 個來自拉丁美洲及加勒比海國家、8 個來自西歐及其他國家。

今(2013)年第 57 屆婦女地位委員會優先主題為『消除與防治對女性一切形式的暴力行為』(Elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls)，回顧主題為檢視第 53 屆會議「男女平等分擔責任，包括對愛滋病(患)的照護」(The equal sharing of responsibilities between women and men, including caregiving in the context of HIV/AIDS)，新興主題為針對『在後 2015 年發展架構中應反映哪些重要性別平等議題』(Key gender equality issues to be reflected in the post-2015 development framework)，並預告下屆婦女地位委員會主題「落實千禧年發展目標女性相關指標的成就和挑戰」(Challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls)。

非政府組織婦女地位委員會 (NGO-CSW) 成立於 1972 年，主要協助第一屆世界婦女會議的舉辦，主要成員包含約 200 個由聯合國認可的促進婦女地位的國家性及國際性的非政府組織與個人，促成非政府組織間對聯合國當前議題的對話，透過倡導及與政府的夥伴關係，建立國際共識、促成各國政府對全球女性良善的

政策。NGO-CSW 每年在 CSW 會議期間，同時在場邊依每年主題由 NGO 主辦相關座談會 (panel) 及串連會議 (caucus)，各國 NGO 代表藉此互交換經驗與提送建議。

由於我國非聯合國會員國，自 1998 年以來均以 INGO 成員或外賓之身分前往與會。然自 2009 年起，臺灣與會代表無法以臺灣護照申請進入聯合國大廈，官方會議無法入場旁聽。今(2013)年在外交部及相關單位的努力下，我國參與人員得以恢復用 INGO 成員身分或外賓身分換證持台灣護照旁聽會議，實為重要突破。

二、參加聯合國婦女地位委員會相關會議之目的

CSW 為有關婦女議題的重要國際會議，主要以落實性別平等、重視婦女人權各面向為其重要推動工作，我國參與 CSW 主要目的有二：

- (一) 蒐集各國推動婦女議題重要發展文件，掌握國際間婦女議題與發展趨勢，並與我國性別平等執行現況比較。
- (二) 掌握國際新知，了解 NGO 推動立法、修法等各項活動及督促政府改革的國際背景等。

貳、參與會議與活動過程

一、CSW 相關會議

CSW 相關會議大略可分為 NGO 諮商會前會、CSW 會議、聯合國官方組織及國際性政府組織所舉辦的 CSW 平行會議、非政府組織所舉辦的 CSW 平行會議等三類，以下分就三類會議簡要介紹：

(一) NGO 諮商會前會

2013 年 3 月 3 日舉辦 NGO CSW 會前諮詢會議 (Consultation day)，開場為 Girls Be Heard 戲劇表演，透過年輕女性多元演繹女性人身安全現況及處境，表達本次主題之訴求-消除一切對婦女及女孩形式的暴力。接下來是 NGO CSW 紐約的主席 Soon-Young Yoon 及 UN Women 秘書長 Michelle Bachelet 致詞，同樣重申政府和 NGO 均須致力於消除暴力及落實女權即人權之理念。接下來則為 NGO CSW Women 三位榮譽獎的講者做主題討論，主題包括了防治女性人口販運、男性在防治婦女暴力需扮演之角色、防治婦女和女孩暴力範例等，下午則進行一連串的專題討論，其中一個專題係為美國的一個組織 (PCI) 說明如何運用媒體，像是宣導短片、手機應用程式 (APP) -「circle of 6」宣導及防治婦女人身安全，有鑒於智慧型手機的發達及普遍，透過手機應用程式，建立起人身安全防護網，當有遭遇危險之虞時，可馬上呼救重要聯繫人或迅速聯繫相關單位協助處理，值

得參考。另外，透過宣導短片像是在學校、YUTUBE 免費提供播放，宣導正確性觀念等，講者認為單向的宣導不具太大效益，而是應該透過一種雙向對話、能夠分享和合作的平台去進行溝通，才會有效達到成功的溝通，而這樣所謂的社會媒體(social media)的作用，也持續在接下來的 NGO CSW 平行會議主題進行討論。

參考網址：Circle of 6:
<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.circleof6>

(二) CSW 會議

CSW 於今 (2013) 年 3 月 4 日至 3 月 15 日，於聯合國大廈內舉行會議，今年論壇主題如下：

1. 優先主題：消除及預防對婦女及女孩一切形式暴力。
2. 回顧主題：檢視第 53 屆會議「平等分配女性與男性照顧責任，包括愛滋病照顧議題」。
3. 新興主題：針對後 2015 年發展框架之重要性別平等議題。

其中於 3 月 7 日下午 3 時至 5 時旁聽新興主題「Emerging issue about post-2015」會議，透過主持人及邀請之講者對本主題之建議，以及各國代表發表之意見，更加了解性別平等(gender equality)不能只是單一看待為千禧年發展目標其中之一，性別平等應該是後 2015 發展框架下的中心思想，即各項發展目標都應該從性別平等角度審視及評估，才能讓國家得到真正發展，其中亦提及需努力消除婦女商品化之不正確價值觀、持續確保婦女教育權以及持續增加婦女擁有資產、企業參與、領導決策之人數和比例，以及應加強相關投資婦女預算(即性別預算的概念)。

(三) 平行會議：延伸大會主題所召開的週邊會議，分別為：

1、CSW 平行會議：由會員國常駐代表團或聯合國組織籌組，因為該類會議係採邀請制，只有獲主辦單位邀請者方能入場，所以我國代表未能參加此類會議。

2、NGO CSW 平行會議：

(1)由國際婦女組織(INGO)會前向主辦單位提出申請辦理的會議，議題非常豐富，辦理地點包括聯合國的教堂中心、救世軍社會司法委員會及駐紐約臺北經濟文化辦事處，擇參與場次議題分述如下：

日期	主辦 INGO	會議主題	討論內容摘述
3/5	Association for Women's Rights in Development	The Post 2015 Development Agenda: What's	有鑑於 2000 年千禧年發展目標 (MDGs) 即將在 2015 年結束，本次討論重新檢視其框架，認為在經

	(AWID) Baha'i International Community	Stake for the World's Women	<p>濟、社會、生態方面都要能達到性別平等，主要建議如下：</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 基於人權包括平等和不歧視原則。 2. 核心價值為性別平等、婦權和增強權能。 3. 重視結構性因素，包括永久存續危機（如金融危機）、不平等和違反人權之結構因素最受到影響的通常為女性。女性需要微型信貸(microfinance)之機會。 4. 需增強女性參與決策和領導，俾利得到協商的機會。 5. 確保相關單位負責，例如編列相關預算協助女性發展。 6. 如何透過不同語言充分傳遞 post2015 的目標非常重要。 7. 因各國家有不同的發展目標程度，所以檢視後 2015 年發展指標也應該有所不同。
3/5	Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice, NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security	Breaking Barriers: What it takes to achieve security, justice and peace.	<p>該 NGO 為舊金山大學之非營利組織，關注戰時婦女人身安全，訴求為安全、正義、和平三方面。2011 年世界銀行統計資料顯示，正義和安全關連是衝突的，該如何解套。另外提到在瓜地馬拉和埃及女性人身安全的狀況，其中埃及女性就業率非常低，社會都是男性，另提到培力 NGO 的重要性。</p>
3/6	Women Sport International International Working Group	Violence-Free Sport and Physical Activity: From Researcher to Policy to Social	<p>1. 女性運動員在訓練過程，由於與教練的密切關係和建立信任，反而使其人身安全議題被忽略和不受重視，像是性侵害和性騷擾情況</p>

	on Women and Sport	Change	<p>等，而造成女性運動員難以擺脫甚至帶來負面影響，像是心理疾病、因而離開運動界、影響人際關係等。另提到捷克為男性教練居多之國家，女性運動員將近 45%比例均遭遇過性騷擾狀況。</p> <p>2. 綜上，提到防治方式如下： 從女孩運動員做相關教育著手，編制手冊，教導學校如何培養女孩運動員對人身安全之重要和敏感度，教育環境包括同意關注弱勢女孩、訓練和科技協助、大眾教育行動、關注低社經地位的女性等，另外霸凌、約會強暴、多元性別、性騷擾及自尊心建立等議題也需重視。</p> <p>3. 其中亦請到一位女性運動員，在 15 歲曾經遭到教練性騷擾於會場現身說法，其表示因為訓練場域不像其他類工作，公司和私生活容易區分，混在一起的結果，沒有申訴的管道，周圍人反而解讀為不瞭解教練的苦心等，未能給予相關的支持。</p> <p>4. 另舉例培養女性運動員自主的計畫，像是領導力、團隊工作、安全空間、培養樂在其中等重點，另外教育男孩參與相關教育課程也很重要（我國情況對照：國中小學有性別教育相關課程，培養性別敏感度）。</p>
3/6	Working Group on Girls, Inc. League of Women Voters US	Stop Exploitation of Girls at Major Events	<p>1. 邀請幾位代表分享在各地進行防治孩童剝削行動，其中請到巴西秘書長分享巴西防治人口販運和剝削的過程，包括在訓練觀光產業、媒體、相關單位、受害者相關防治觀念、建立 24 小時通報專線等。國家能立法確保孩童不被剝</p>

			<p>劑，訓練警察、法官、檢察官在審查孩童撥劑案件時能保護證人、入罪化。</p> <p>2. NGO 需協助政府在容易接觸到剝削人口的場域，像是旅館、飛機航班、計程車等第一線接觸場域，在企業方面能進行相關敏感度訓練；在個人方面則是可透過各種媒體通報，引起相關單位注意。其中提到美式足球比賽-超級盃 (Super Ball) 舉行期間，該地最容易有人口販運狀況，建議相關單位注意旅館是否有大量女童進住，旅館或相關人士可協助通報。</p>
3/6	Peace Is Loud Global Network of Women Peace Builders.	Media as an instrument to fight violence against women in conflict-affected settings.	透過紀錄片、廣播帶、歌曲方式宣導在戰爭時女人和女孩通常是受害者的訊息，認為媒體為重要宣導管道，需解決的疑問是，媒體宣導的效益是否能持續，還是只是當下的感動？
3/6	FOKUS- Forum for Women and Development	Spotlight on intersectionality : Gender, Ethnicity ,Age, Sexual Orientation, Disability and VAW	Fokus 為挪威 NGO 關注國際女性議題之 NGO，尤其是傳達資訊和提倡婦女發展。認為暴力不只是消除在心理上和身體上的暴力，更需檢視各項因素的交叉關係，包括性別、階級、族群、年齡、性傾向、身心障礙、宗教等方面去檢視暴力的影響。這與 CEDAW 一般性建議 (第 18 號、第 27 號、第 28 號) 重視高齡婦女、農村婦女等不同族群身份的女性權益不謀而合。
3/7	Women's Environment and Development Organization (WEDO)	Violence against women and intersections with the environment	提到糧食、資源、飲水、電力分配不均、氣候變遷、輻射等因素影響女性甚鉅，女性應擁有社會和環境權、人權、勞動權，才能減少暴力發生，分配不均造成貧窮女性化也

	Women in Europe for a Common Future (WECF)		是一種暴力。同時提出禁止早婚的觀點，認為早婚是影響女性經濟和教育造成發展的阻礙。
3/8	Education International (EI) International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)	Violence and precarity: Workplace Challenges and Responses	提到在工作場域中受到的一切歧視都算是暴力，在工作場域要有更多女性參與決策才能發揮改變的力量。

(2)外交部駐紐約經濟文化辦事處 (Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in N. Y.，簡稱 TECO) 為促進我國婦女團體與國際團體交流及呼應本屆 CSW 大會主題，與非營利組織婦女地位委員會 (NGO CSW)、國際組織「聯合國學術系統理事會」(The Academic Council on the United Nations System; ACUNS) 及財團法人婦女權益促進發展基金會合作辦理「Seminar on Elimination and Prevention of All Forms of Violence against Women and Girls-From MDGs Perspective」研討會，邀請我國高振群大使、NGO CSW 主席 Dr. Soon-Young Yoon 及 ACUNS 執行董事 Dr. Alistair Edgar、國外學者專家及我國公部門代表進行專題討論。整理本次我國代表所參與多場週邊會議如下：

日期	Location	論壇主題 Title/Description	主辦組織	與談人
3月4日	Church Center	Anti Gender-based Violence Against Women-Prevention and Services	婦權基金會 (FWRPD)	賴曉芬(臺北市婦女救援基金會) 劉嘉怡(臺北市女性權益促進會) 廖碧英(臺灣展翅協會) Marina Colby(ECPAT USA) Nguyem Dinh Thang(BPSOS) 林美薰(現代婦女基金會) 林春鳳(屏東縣馬卡巴嗨文化協會)
3月4日	Church Center	Asian Girls Campaign	勵馨基金會 (GOH) PPSEAWA International	安東尼(勵馨基金會) 張乃千(勵馨基金會)
3月4日	TECO	I Care for You...But Who	中華心理衛生協	張 珽 (中華心理衛生協會)

		Will Care for Me? Males Shared Responsibilities	會(MHAT)	
3月5日	Church Center	Complementary with un SC Resolution 1325 and the Women, peace and Security Agenda	FIFCJ	嚴祥鸞(實踐大學社會工作學系)
3月5日	Church Center	Prevention and Protection of Sexually Exploited Girls in Immigrant Communities in the U.S.	ECPAT-USA	廖碧英(國際終止兒童性剝削組織)
3月7日	Church Center	CEDAW and General Recommendation 19—Violence Against Women	International Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA)	陳秀峰(台南市性別平等促進會)
3月7日	Church Center	Caregiving and Healthy Practices Among Women Including Those with HIV/AIDS	The Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in New York	柯乃瑩(成功大學護理系) 呂欣潔(臺灣同志諮詢熱線協會) 陳逸婷(台灣女性影像學會) 廖彥喬(臺灣大學婦女研究室) 林靜儀(臺灣女人連線)
3月8日	TECO	Seminar on Elimination and Prevention of All Forms of Violence against Women and Girls-From MDGs Perspective	ACUNS, ,TECO, NGO CSW,FWRPD	邱淑媿(行政院衛生署國民健康局局長) 黃秋桂(行政院勞工委員會主任秘書) 李美珍(內政部家庭暴力暨性侵害防治委員會執行秘書)

謹就上開場次，參與觀察之部分場次重點分述如下：

A. 立基於反性別歧視之防治婦女暴力措施(Anti Gender-based Violence Against Women-Prevention and Services)

3月4日由婦權基金會主辦，我國 NGO 5 位代表說明目前對防治婦女暴力所進行的相關服務和計畫，另邀請 2 位國外專家學者 (Marina Colby、Nguyem Dinh Thang) 也呈現美國和東南亞國家防治婦女暴力之執行情形，婦援基金會代表賴曉芬分享國內對慰安婦之服務方案；展翅協會代表廖碧英分享人口販運受害者之協助和現況；Dr. Thang 分享東南亞跨國婦女暴力現況及防治計畫，進行跨國協助遭受性剝削、移民婦女及難民之計畫，同時也表達了少有跨國組織、通譯人才及挹注資源之困境，讓跨國合作計畫遭受了某部分挑戰。

Maria Colby 分享美國針對人口販運政策和立法的影響，值得一提的是，美國於 2 月底通過 Violence against Women Act (VAWA) 修正法案，總統並於 3 月 7 日公布，另也提及更需重視的是孩童的人身安全議題，以及需要對孩童進行相當的教育和訓練，讓他們更有人身安全之敏感度、女性權益促進會代表劉嘉怡分享協助家暴受害者之服務網絡，包括醫療協助、法律諮詢、家暴和性侵害中心之建立等，亦分享了國內 4 家法定探視監督中心成立之現況，但人力吃緊、中心交通不便為困難之處、現代婦女基金會代表林美薰分享 NGO 建立安全防暴網的過程、行政院性別平等會林春鳳委員，則分享台灣原住民婦女家庭暴力之防治策略。

B. 亞洲女孩活動(Asian Girls Campaign)

勵馨基金會與 PPSEAWA 辦理有關針對亞洲女孩進行相關培力活動之成果說明，勵馨基金會代表安東尼分享亞洲女孩行動的過程和成果例如推動國際女孩日、高雄市社會局長張乃千及勵馨基金會代表廖千妙分享高雄市辦理相關培力方案『女孩 gogogo』成果，培力處於弱勢情形之女孩協助其實現夢想的過程；另外勵馨基金會代表另說明了對遭受家暴之青少年進行戲劇治療的過程，並播放紀錄片『阿采』，透過多元治療方式，包括藝術治療、自行車旅行方式、使青少年重新找到自己，以及能建立與相對人對話抒發的管道，重拾對人的信任感以及強化自我價值。

另外，PPSEAWA 報告關於辦理『Salt Academy』方案：Salt 是 Sports And Leadership Training 的縮寫，在柬埔寨進行女孩培力的計畫成果，透過運動比賽、領導力訓練，強化弱勢女孩，發現自己有去改變，而能持續改變。這方面的女孩培力方案在臺灣是比較少見的。『Salt Academy』方案相關網址：
<http://saltacademy.net>

C. 聯合國安理會 1325 號決議及婦女、和平和安全議題(Complementary with UN SC Resolution 1325 and the Women, peace and Security Agenda)

主要介紹台灣家暴加害人處遇計畫成果及美國德州家暴加害人處遇計畫，提及人身安全議題與 CEDAW 第 4 條教育、第 7 條政治與公共參與、第 8 條國際參與及一般性建議第 19 號相關，透過性別平等教育、女性充分參與等以及政府需有行動計畫方能改善人身安全。(聯合國安理會第 1325 決議：婦女、和平和安全需放入聯合國議題)

D. 美國移民社區遭遇性剝削女孩的防治措施(Prevention and Protection of Sexually Exploited Girls in Immigrant Communities) in the U.S.

分享在美國境內人口販運、難民未成年受害者，常因境內沒有父母或監護人可以可供照顧，所以其處境更加艱難及弱勢，因此需要建立一套完整的保護系統

來協助他們；另外展翅協會代表廖碧英提到臺灣人口販運防治過程及相關服務，包括中長期庇護所建置、我國相關立法等。

E.從千禧年發展目標觀點檢視防治女性一切形式之暴力座談(Seminar on Elimination and Prevention of All Forms of Violence against Women and Girls-From MDGs Perspective)

在3月8日於TECO辦理之專題講座，講座Dr. Pamela S. Falk提到關於減貧(MDG目標之一)，貧窮人數已經逐年減少，但仍須努力，且認為聯合國所有組織都應簽署CEDAW，確實落實性別平等。另提到媒體、網絡連結、資訊傳遞成功領袖模範對於婦女和女孩培力的重要性，像是twitter、臉書等即時性媒體更能傳達防治婦女受暴之可能性。

另外，衛生署國民健康局邱淑媿局長報告台灣降低出生性別比落差之執行情形，陳述台灣為降低男女出生性別比，做了哪些措施，包括宣導、處罰產前性別篩檢等方式，惟優生保健法仍規定孕婦有特定之原因時，可進行人口流產，似乎並不能排除是否隱含性別篩選；邱局長另提到臺灣性別比(gender ratio)較大的原因，可能是根基於台灣傳統傳宗接代的思想以及國內生育率太低所致，故政府試圖找尋另外推力，來消除這些情形；勞委會黃秋桂主任秘書、家防會李美珍執行秘書相繼報告有關台灣防治職場上人身安全、家庭暴力和性侵害的現況，透過跨領域的連結、相關法制系統的完備、相關指標和通報系統的建立，期望能讓臺灣女性消除及防治一切形式之暴力。

參、會議重要結論

一、消除與防治對女性一切形式的暴力行為

1. 執行策略方面：

- (1)可依不同族群特色，擬定不同的暴力防治計畫，例如原住民、身心障礙、多元性別等。
- (2)處理並解決助長人口販運之利益動機。
- (3)重新建構暴力政策之理論，例如把婦女定位為倖存者及嘗試改變之領袖，而非只是從受害者觀點去研擬對策。

2. 宣導策略方面：

- (1)運用創意媒體(如手機應用軟體)及雙向協商平台。
- (2)普及宣導人口販運防治觀念。
- (3)積極消除性別不平等之結構問題，例如女性商品化、刻板性別角色觀念等。

3. 參與策略方面：

- (1)提升男性防治暴力之參與度。
- (2)增加女性防治暴力之決策和表述地位。
- (3)在早期教育宣導防治暴力觀念。

二、後 2015 年發展架構中之重要性別平等議題

千禧年發展目標為 2000 年由 189 個國家簽署執行，隨著 10 幾年的情勢變化，當時制訂的 8 大具體目標似乎已不符現況或已初步達成，需要重新檢視及建立新的目標，故於 2012 年起 UN 便召開相關討論會議，相關決議如下：

1. 基於人權的架構，需充分落實婦權。
2. 消除基於性別的一切歧視，包括對於多元性別、跨性別和性別暴力。
3. 需檢視影響國家發展的全球層次貿易、金錢、投資策略。
4. 重視在權力、責信、資源分享、決策面向上的結構性問題。
5. 需重新檢視經濟成長與性別不平等的正向關連性，例如在印度和中國，這幾年雖有經濟成長，但貧窮女性的人數比例卻增加。
6. 幾個重要性別平等議題：農業（包括農業綜合企業、單一作物栽培、土地掠奪等現象）、氣候變遷、工作、性權利和健康權等，需重新以性別平等脈絡檢視。
7. 婦女組織在國家、地區、全球層次上推動性別平等和婦女權益之努力不容忽視，監督國家在性別、經濟、生態正義之發展並達到結構之改變。
8. MDG 未納入的範圍：性別平等未置於一個更高層級的檢視標準，例如在受雇、經濟參與、決策上婦女遭受的歧視、建立和平的過程與防治暴力。
9. 以性別平等和婦女賦權為核心檢視 MDG 的成效和挑戰
10. 性別平等多元複雜，尤其需確保在金融信貸的性別平等。
11. 建議加入消除婦女暴力為發展目標之一。
12. 建議增加女性選擇和機會，包括在教育、工作、資產擁有、社會保護、人身安全、健康及無酬勞動（農業、家務）。

三、2014 年 CSW 主題

2015 年即為執行千禧年發展目標(MDGs)的最後一年，2014 年 CSW 主題為『落實千禧年發展目標女性相關指標的成就和挑戰』，在本次 CSW 大會也針對前揭主題討論，結論摘述如下：

1. 需要具體、特定且可測量的目標和指標，藉此監測這些具體成果的進程。
2. 促進性別平等、改善孕婦死亡率是相關的，均要從性別平等指標去檢視，也不能忽略減貧和促進永續發展的目標。
3. 性別平等不只是目標之一，還是其他目標需檢視的向度依據。
4. 多元和跨領域的不平等仍存在，像是農村婦女、人口密度過高地區婦女仍存有經濟、社會、文化的社會排除現象。
5. 應區分邊緣化（弱勢族群）婦女的發展目標。
6. 早婚仍是造成貧窮增加、惡化孕婦健康和新生兒死亡的重要因素。
7. 經濟和金融惡化對女性衝擊較男性大，像是女性就會被迫離開學校找工作，減少提供食物和資源給女性，照顧家庭生計需求多半落在女性身上等，限制了女

性尋找有薪工作的機會。同時存在缺少社會保護、教育訓練、經濟資源不均等狀況。

8. 暴力仍為重要之議題，政治衝突、社會不安全、在公私領域的性和性別暴力等需要努力防治。

綜上，各會議除再次確立『婦權即人權』之理念外，更認為性別平等的定位不只是發展目標之一，性別平等應該是各個發展目標都要進行之檢視標準和核心價值，而在發展目標方面，建議因應時代變遷，需要加入更為多元的目標，像是經濟（包括金融信貸）、暴力防治、權力決策、多元性別等。另建議需針對地區、族群、性傾向、不同弱勢因素之婦女族群，均檢視其發展目標之達成程度，注意婦女族群的異質性。

另外，聯合國經濟社會理事會業已在網站上公布本次 CSW 之議定結論 (Agreed Conclusion)，可作為相關單位之參考（請參照附錄資料之附件三），大略區分為防治女性一切形式之暴力、強化立法和政策之框架和責信 (accountability)、影響防治女性暴力之結構風險因素等三個部分。

肆、觀察心得與建議事項

一、觀察心得

首次奉派參與婦女議題國際會議，看到來自不同地區的官方及民間團體代表成員，為了婦女權益和促進性別平等，凝聚在一起交換意見及提供建議，受益良多。本次會議優先主題為消除及防治對婦女一切形式之暴力，觀察本次多場 NGO CSW 平行會議之主題，可以發現防治婦女暴力其實是多種面向的，包括教育宣導、媒體宣導、男性成員的參與、公私部門協力、跨國組織連結、不同場域的暴力防治、不同身份婦女的暴力防治等，瞭解目前各個國家及非營利組織關心的議題及努力方向，然因各國發展程度有所差異，對於防治暴力之訴求內容便有所不同，例如有些國家或 NGO 已開始著手積極改善女性在各面向受到不平等之遭遇，甚至開始研擬如何才能更強化及有效改善性別不平等之社會結構；有些國家或 NGO 仍為基本的生存需求（例如減少貧窮）、加強人身安全通報制度、制訂相關法規、建立保護人身安全系統等而繼續奮鬥。

由於為期 2 週的會議，場次及參與 NGO 團體眾多，主辦單位 (NGO CSW) 僅提供主辦 NGO 名稱及主題，與會者光從討論主題挑選欲參與之場次，並無法完整蒐集到相關意見或建議，因此事先瞭解各與會 NGO 之組織簡介及其近期推動成果及訴求，實屬重要。

二、建議事項

1. 有計畫培力參與成員，強化與會準備

有鑑於每年與會 NGO 及公部門代表不同，為能培力及經驗傳承，負責組團事務之單位雖已於會前積極辦理英文模擬會議及讀書會，因部分與會成員無法全程參與，建議以實體上課及書面兩種方式提供相關資料，讓無法參與之成員可自行閱讀參考。另外，建議可依與會 NGO 及公部門之關注焦點及倡議方向，於行前籌備會議時，進行分組討論，共同產出更深入及聚焦之結論，於國際會議場合進行宣傳我國努力成果。

2. 強化公部門代表之與會任務，及早指派代表

基於本次與會觀察，因我國非聯合國之會員國，公部門代表無法在聯合國相關正式會議發言，另並非每位代表皆擁有非營利組織深耕之經驗，也無法在 NGO 相關平行會議擔任發表人，由此觀之，民間團體代表和公部門代表與會的任務不盡相同，公部門代表與會主要任務在於累積參加國際會議之經驗、蒐集會議相關資料及結論，作為國內相關單位參考及相關政策之研擬方向；民間團體與會代表任務在於培力參與國際會議之能力、建立與其他 NGO 關係連結、宣導所屬 NGO 之服務成果等，故建議公部門及早指派與會代表，便可參與本處委託婦女權益促進發展基金會辦理之各項國際人才培訓、英文模擬會議及行前會議，俾利各機關代表及早掌握及規劃出席國際會議之任務，使整體性平政策之推展符合國際趨勢。

3. 行前宣導性平政策，提高能見度

由於行政院性別平等處於 2012 年甫成立，且積極推動多項提升婦女權益與性別平等政策，建議於行前會議可加強宣導我國推動性別平等重點業務、國內性別平等重要文件（性別平等政策綱領、CEDAW 施行法等）及國內性平政策和成果等，讓民間團體代表在與會期間與其他 NGO 交流時，藉機宣達我國性別平等相關政策及成果，提高我國政府推動性別平等政策及具體成效之能見度。

附件 1

2013年聯合國第57屆婦女地位委員會暨非政府組織周邊會議國際事務代表名單

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A1	張 珺	臺灣大學健康政策與管理研究所副教授
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A3	林理俐	世界和平婦女會亞洲總會會長
A4	陳菟菁	天主教善牧基金會國際事務辦公室主任
A5	林碧憶	屏東縣馬卡巴嗨文化協會青年幹事
A6	柯乃瑩	成功大學護理系教授
A7	呂欣潔	台灣同志諮詢熱線協會文宣部主任
A8	廖彥喬	臺灣大學婦女研究室執行編輯
A9	陳逸婷	台灣女性影像學會媒體宣傳／編輯統籌
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A13	安東尼	勵馨社會福利事業基金會國際事務組組長
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A15	林美薰	現代婦女基金會副執行長
A16	林靜儀	台灣女人連線理事
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A18	顏詩怡	婦女權益促進發展基金會研究發展組組長

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B1	吳尚年	外交部國際組織司專門委員
B2	黃秋桂	行政院勞工委員會主任秘書
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Organization of work

First week	10 a.m.-1 p.m.	1-3 p.m.	3-6 p.m.
Monday 4 March	<p>Opening of the session - Election of officers (Item 1) - Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (Item 2) - Introduction of documents (Item 3 as a whole)</p> <p>General discussion (Item 3) <i>(opens)</i> Review of the implementation of the BPfA and the outcome of the 23rd special session of the GA - sharing of experiences and good practices on implementation of the Platform for Action, with a view to overcoming remaining obstacles and new challenges</p> <p><i>1 p.m.: deadline for inscription on list of speakers for the general discussion</i></p>		<p>High-level round table on the priority theme (in two parallel meetings)</p> <p>Elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls (Item 3 (a) (i))</p>
Tuesday 5 March	<p>General discussion (Item 3) <i>(continued)</i></p>		<p>Panel 1 Priority theme</p> <p>Elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls</p> <p>Focus: prevention of violence against women and girls</p>
Wednesday 6 March	<p>General discussion (Item 3) <i>(continued)</i></p>	<p>Preparatory panel for 2014: Challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls</p>	<p>Panel 2 Priority theme</p> <p>Elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls</p> <p>Focus: multi-sectoral services and responses for violence against women and girls</p>
Thursday 7 March	<p>General discussion (Item 3) <i>(continued)</i></p> <p><i>in parallel with</i></p> <p>Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations</p>		<p>Panel 3 Emerging issue</p> <p>Key gender equality issues to be reflected in the post-2015 development framework</p>
Friday 8 March	<p>International Women's Day [10 a.m. to 12 p.m.]</p> <p><i>followed by</i></p> <p>Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations</p>		<p>Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations</p>

Organization of work

Second week	10 a.m.-1 p.m.	1-3 p.m.	3-6 p.m.
Monday 11 March	<p>General discussion (Item 3) <i>(continued)</i></p> <p><i>in parallel with</i></p> <p>Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations</p>		<p>General discussion (Item 3) <i>(concludes)</i></p> <p><i>in parallel with</i></p> <p>Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations</p>
Tuesday 12 March	<p>Panel 4 Review theme</p> <p>Evaluation of progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions of CSW53 on "The equal sharing of responsibilities between women and men, including caregiving in the context of HIV/AIDS"</p> <p>Focus: gender norms and stereotypes, socialization and unequal power relations; sharing and balancing life-work responsibilities</p>		<p>3 p.m.: deadline for submission of draft proposals (i.e., draft resolutions / decisions)</p> <p>Panel 5 Review theme</p> <p>Evaluation of progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions of CSW53 on "The equal sharing of responsibilities between women and men, including caregiving in the context of HIV/AIDS"</p> <p>Focus: caregiving in the context of HIV/AIDS; recognizing and valuing unpaid care work</p>
Wednesday 13 March	<p>Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations</p>		<p>Closed meeting to consider the report of the Working Group on Communications (Item 4)</p> <p><i>followed by</i></p> <p>Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations</p>
Thursday 14 March	<p>Follow-up to the Economic and Social Council resolutions and decisions (Item 5) - introduction and discussion</p> <p>Introduction of draft proposals</p> <p><i>followed by</i></p> <p>Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations</p>		<p>Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations</p>
Friday 15 March	<p>Action on draft proposals</p>		<p>Action on draft proposals and other outstanding issues</p> <p>Provisional agenda for the 58th session of CSW (Item 6)</p> <p>Adoption of the report of the CSW on its 57th session (Item 7)</p> <p>Closure of the 57th session</p> <hr/> <p>Opening of 58th session Election of Bureau</p>

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Time	Title	Sponsors	Location	Room
8:30 AM	Men as Allies in Ending Gender-Based Violence	Kvinna Till Kvinna American Jewish World Service	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
8:30 AM	Efforts of Sudanese Women General Union to Eliminate Violence Against Women and Girls and Challenges	Sudanese Women General Union	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
8:30 AM	Creative Energies UNITE to Respond to GBV	African Women's Development & Communication Network – FEMNET	CCUN	10th Floor
8:30 AM	The Role of Zambian Women in Ending Violence Against Women and Girls	Non-Governmental Organisations' Coordinating Council (NGOCC)	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
8:30 AM	Winning Strategies for Preventing Violence Against Women (VAW) - Global Models	San Francisco Department on the Status of Women East Women's Intercultural Network (WIN)	ACC	Guild Hall
8:30 AM	Elimination of Violence Against Women and Girls Displaced from Land Due to Natural Disasters	World Mission Foundation	ACC	Y-Room
8:30 AM	Developing Justice: Transforming Development Frameworks to Address the Structural Inequality	Fiji Women's Crisis Center Asia Pacific Forum on Women Law and Development	ACC	V-Hall
8:30 AM	Communications for Change: Emerging Tools for VAW Prevention	Futures Without Violence Avon Foundation for Women NGO Committee on the CSW (TBC)	SA	Auditorium
9:00 AM	Girl-Boy Statement Writing	Girl Scouts of the USA Working Group on Girls	SA	Downstairs Room
10:30 AM	Fighting Violence Against Women: Strategies and Partnerships	All India Women's Conference	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
10:30 AM	Asia Girls Campaign	PPSEAWA International and Garden of Hope Foundation	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
10:30 AM	Energy Access: Enhancing Women's Health and Security Day Through Night	United Nations Foundation Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor

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10:30 AM	Unique Indigenous, Nonindigenous and Pasifika Approaches to Violence Against Women and Girls: Aotearoa/NZ	Pacific Women's Watch (New Zealand), Inc. Te Ohaakii a Hine Pacific Islands Safety and Prevention Project	CCUN	10th Floor
10:30 AM	Peace on the Earth, War at Home: 15 Years to Achieve Domestic Violence Law in Mozambique	Forum Mulher, Mozambique	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
10:30 AM	Women Standing Up to Violence: Finding Ways Through with Hope and Connections	Women's Federation for World Peace International The Sound Essence Project	ACC	Guild Hall
10:30 AM	Lifeline Australia: DV-ALERT Domestic Violence Response Training Program	Lifeline Australia	ACC	½ Ballroom
10:30 AM	Violence-Free Life for Women and Girls: Best Practices From Uganda	The United Nations Population Fund	ACC	Y-Room
10:30 AM	Profiles in Courage: Human Rights Defenders in the Struggle to End Violence Against Women	United Nations Watch International Council for Jewish Women	ACC	V-Hall
10:30 AM	Investing in Peace? Violence Against Women, Militarism and Budgeting for Security	Center for Women's Global Leadership, The Global Fund for Women	SA	Auditorium
10:30 AM	Girl-Boy Statement Writing	Working Group on Girls	SA	Downstairs Room
10:30 AM	Confronting Military Sexual Violence: Challenging Militarized Security	Canadian Voice of Women for Peace, Hague Appeal for Peace	TECO	Auditorium
12:30 PM	To End Impunity for Sexual Violence Against Women and Girls	Liaison Council for Wartime Sexual Violence New Japan Women's Association	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
12:30 PM	Unsettled Issues for the Prevention and Attention of Violence Against Rural and Indigenous Women	UNIMOSS Mayama, AC	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
12:30 PM	Violence Against Women with Disabilities: A Global Challenge	Rehabilitation International	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor

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12:30 PM	Sexual Violence Against Girls in Southern Africa	Women and Law in Southern Africa Avon Global Center for Women	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
12:30 PM	Partnership Models to End Violence	San Francisco Department on the Status of Women	ACC	Guild Hall
12:30 PM	Human Security: What Does it Mean for Women Survivors of Violence in India?	CordAid	ACC	Y-Room
12:30 PM	How Can the Police Better Respond to Violence Against Women? The Case of Guatemala	FOKUS - Forum for Women and Development	ACC	V-Hall
12:30 PM	Grassroots Human Rights Advocacy: A Tool in the Struggle for Land in the Context of HIV/AIDS and VAW	Huirou Commission Open Society Foundation, Law and Health Initiative	SA	Auditorium
12:30 PM	Girl-Boy Statement Writing	Girl Scouts of America USA Working Group on Girls	SA	Downstairs Room
12:30 PM	Soap Operas to End Violence Against Women and Promote Women's Rights	PCI - Media Impact	TECO	Auditorium
2:30 PM	VAW in Rural Areas of Central Asia	Forum of Women's NGOs of Kyrgyzstan UN Women Kyrgyzstan Country Office	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
2:30 PM	Going Beyond Prevention of VAW: Expert Panel on Promotion of Access to Justice in the Context of VAW	International Women's Rights Action Watch Asia Pacific	CCUN	10th Floor
2:30 PM	Anti Gender-Based Violence Against Women -- Prevention and Services	Foundation For Women Rights Promotion and Development	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
2:30 PM	Faciliter la Declaration des Naissances par les Femmes	Fiducial	ACC	½ Ballroom
2:30 PM	Female Genital Mutilation, Anti-FGM Legislation in Africa and Local Communities' Reactions	The Women's Front of Norway	ACC	Y-Room

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2:30 PM	Local to Global: Community-Based Solutions for Ending Violence Against Women and Girls	Women Human Rights International Association (WHRIA)	ACC	V-Hall
2:30 PM	Girl-Boy Dialogue: Speaking Out About Violence Against Girls	Girls Learn International Working Group on Girls	SA	Auditorium
2:30 PM	Girls Ending the Cycle: Combating Inter-Generational Violence Through Leadership and Empowerment	Girl Scouts of America USA Working Group on Girls	SA	Downstairs Room
2:30 PM	I Care for You But Who Will Care for Me? Challenging Males' Shared Responsibilities	Mental Health Association in Taiwan, Taipei Twin Association	TECO	Auditorium
4:30 PM	Women and Violence: Human Rights Activism Through Arts and Film	Women's UN Report Network (WUNRN) Women News Network (WNN)	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
4:30 PM	She Speaks: Ending Violence Against Women and Nature -- Dispatches from Tar Sands to Renewables	Women's Earth and Climate Caucus, Feminist Task Force	CCUN	10th Floor
4:30 PM	Spiritual Empowerment for Women and Girls	Won Buddhism International, United Religions Initiative	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
4:30 PM	Impact of Domestic Violence	Save the Children	ACC	½ Ballroom
4:30 PM	Religion, Culture and Violence Against Women	Women's Task Force at the Parliament of the World's Religions	ACC	Guild Hall
4:30 PM	Addressing Violence Against Women and Girls in the Caribbean	Global Center for Behavioural Health	ACC	Y-Room
4:30 PM	One Win Leads To Another: Sports as an Innovative Strategy to Address Gender-Based Violence	Women Win Standard Chartered Bank	ACC	V-Hall
6:15 PM	Coercive Reproductive Health Programs: The Problem of Forced Abortion and Sterilization	World Youth Alliance	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
6:15 PM	Violence Against Elderly Women: Time to Break the Silence	Roks, The National Organisation for Women's Shelters and Young Women's Shelters in Sweden	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor

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Time	Title	Sponsors	Location	Room
6:15 PM	Education as Empowerment: Early Childhood Strategies to Prevent Violence Against Girls	Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation	CCUN	2nd Floor
6:15 PM	Exploring the Links	ActionAid	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
6:15 PM	Survivors of Pre-Natal Assault	REAL Women of Canada Catholic Family and Human Rights Institute	ACC	½ Ballroom
6:15 PM	Prevention of Violence Against Women and Girls Through Community Work	Women for Women's Human Rights, International Women's Health Coalition, USA	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
6:15 PM	Empowering Women and Girls Through Social Media and Entrepreneurship to Stop Violence Against Them	Voices of Women Worldwide Inc., NGO Committee on Children's Rights	ACC	Guild Hall
6:15 PM	Strategies of Resisting Violence Against Women	International Lesbian and Gay Association Swedish Federation for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Rights, RFSL	ACC	Y-Room
6:15 PM	The Sacred Women's Circle	The New Seminary	ACC	V-Hall

Tuesday, 5 March 2013				
Time	Title	Sponsors	Location	Room
8:30 AM	Degradation of the Environment and Violence Against Women and Girls	Earth Child Institute Pathways To Peace	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
8:30 AM	Ni una mas! Not One More! Resilience and Resistance to Eliminate Femicide and Human Trafficking	WILPF US Section	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
8:30 AM	Women as Spiritual Leaders: Transforming Violence	Women of Spirit and Faith	CCUN	Grumman Room, 8th Floor
8:30 AM	Exploring the Evidence in Preventing Violence Against Women	London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and Raising Voices	CCUN	10th Floor

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8:30 AM	Respect for Women and Girls: Equality for All	International Council of Women Conseil International des Femmes National Council of Women United States of America	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
8:30 AM	Women as Spiritual Leaders: Transforming Violence	Women of Spirit and Faith	ACC	½ Ballroom
8:30 AM	Combating Violence Against Women at the Work Place in Sudan	Working Women Association	ACC	Guild Hall
8:30 AM	Unarmed Civilian Peacekeeping: A Successful Mechanism for Implementing UN Resolutions on Women, Peace and Security	Women Graduates-USA Nonviolent Peace Force	ACC	V-Hall
8:30 AM	Building Leadership and Claiming Women's Dignity	Isis Women's International Cross Cultural Exchange	SA	Auditorium
8:00 AM	Post 2015 Consultation for Girls and Boys at CSW	Working Group on Girls	SA	Downstairs Room
10:30 AM	Women Rehabilitating Survivors and Offenders as a Long- Term Transformative Solution to GBV	Stichting Feminenza Nederland Feminenza International	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
10:30 AM	The Post 2015 Development Agenda: What's at Stake for the World's Women?	Association for Women's Rights in Development (AWID) Baha'i International Community	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
10:30 AM	Violence, Economics and War: From Theory to Action	United Methodist Women Global Network for Peacebuilders	CCUN	2ND Floor
10:30 AM	Prevent, Protect and Prosecute! End Rape and Gender-Based Violence in Conflict	Nobel Women's Initiative Global Fund for Women	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
10:30 AM	STOP the Tide: Tackling Adolescent Dating Violence	World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts Soroptimist International	CCUN	10th Floor
10:30 AM	Strengthening Preventive Actions to Curb Conflict-Related Violence Against Women	Femmes Africa Solidarite	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
10:30 AM	Using Video in Women's Human Rights Advocacy: An Introduction Workshop	Witness	ACC	½ Ballroom
10:30 AM	When Violence Continues in Court: Family Courts, Custody Cases and Protecting Mothers	Roks, the National Organisation for Women's, Shelters and Young Women's Shelters in Sweden	ACC	Guild Hall

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Time	Title	Sponsors	Location	Room
10:30 AM	Gender and Climate Change in Asia and the Pacific	Asia Pacific Women's Watch (APWW)	ACC	Y-Room
10:30 AM	Gendering the UN Convention Against Torture and Non-State Torture Victimization	Canadian Federation of University Women Women Graduates United States of America (USA)	SA	Auditorium
10:30 AM	Post 2015 Consultation for Girls and Boys at CSW - continued	Working Group on Girls	SA	Downstairs Room
10:30 AM	Stopping the Violence -- Screening of "It's A Girl" Documentary on Gendercide	Women's Rights Without Frontiers, European Dignity Watch	TECO	Auditorium
12:30 PM	Cuba after 1959: The Most Successful Literacy Campaign in Modern Day History	Federation of Cuban Women World March of Women, Cuban Interests Section in Washington DC	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
12:30 PM	Violence Against Women: The Lethal Consequences of Arms	Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, UN Member State Sweden	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
12:30 PM	Faith's Response to Domestic Violence	United Methodist Women	CCUN	2nd Floor
12:30 PM	Women Doctors and the Role of the Health System in the Elimination and Prevention of VAW	Medical Women's Associations	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
12:30 PM	Complementary with UN SC Resolution 1325 and the Women, Peace and Security Agenda	International Federation of Women in Legal Careers (FIFCJ)	CCUN	10th Floor
12:30 PM	Italy Violence Against Women and Femicide	Pangea Foundation Onlus of Italy, Women's UN Report Network	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
12:30 PM	Sharing Responsibilities for VAW Elimination	Forum of women's NGOs of Kyrgyzstan	ACC	½ Ballroom
12:30 PM	The Future Young Women Want: Putting Women's Rights at the Heart of the Post-2015 Development Agenda	World YWCA, UNFPA	ACC	Guild Hall
12:30 PM	At Crossroads? Innovative Uses of Communication Platforms: A Response to Gender-Based Violence	Raising Her Voice - South Africa	ACC	Y-Room

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12:30 PM	Status of Women and Girls in the Post Arab Spring World	Al-Khoei Foundation	ACC	V-Hall
12:30 PM	Research and Policies About Shared Care-Giving and Violence Against Women and Girls	International Sociological Association (ISA)	SA	Downstairs Room
12:30 PM	Violence Against Women in the Name of God: Who Interprets the Sacred Texts?	National Council of Women of Canada	TECO	Auditorium
2:30 PM	Countering VAW: Promoting Gender Equality: Experiences from DRC and the Great Lakes Region	Observatoire de la Parite en RDC Centre d'Etudes sur la Justice et la Resolution 1325Cordaid	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
2:30 PM	Dissemination Workshop on Violence Against Women and Girls in West Africa	Association of African Women For Research and Development (AAWORD/ AFARD UN Women West Africa Regional Office	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
2:30 PM	Hate Crime: Violence Against Those with Disabilities	National Alliance of Women's Organisations Hope International Iraq	CCUN	2nd Floor
2:30 PM	16 Days Campaign Open Forum	Center for Women's Global Leadership	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
2:30 PM	ActionAid International Safe Cities Initiative - Sharing experience from 7 Communities of Women	ActionAid International	CCUN	10th Floor
2:30 PM	Breaking Barriers: What it Takes to Achieve Security, Justice and Peace	Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice, NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
2:30 PM	Documenting Violence Against Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (LBT) People in Asia	International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission (IGLHRC) Rainbow Rights Project (Philippines)	ACC	Guild Hall
2:30 PM	Religious Solutions to Ending Violence Against Women: A Maldivian Case Study	KARAMAH: Muslim Women Lawyers for Human Rights	ACC	Y-Room
2:30 PM	We Can End all Violence Against Women - People's Journey for Change	MOVISIE, Netherlands PCVC, India	ACC	V-Hall

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Time	Title	Sponsors	Location	Room
2:30 PM	Girl Tribunal/Girls Bearing Witness	Girl Scouts of America USA Working Group on Girls	SA	Auditorium
2:30 PM	Implementing Laws Preventing Violence Against Women and Girls Successfully	WGG, UNA-USA League of Women Voters US	SA	Downstairs Room
2:30 PM	Elimination of Violence against Women and Girls Displaced from Land due to Natural Disasters	World Mission Foundation	TECO	Auditorium
4:30 PM	The Economics of Domestic Violence	The Haven, Wolverhampton	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
4:30 PM	Prevention and Protection of Sexually Exploited Girls in Immigrant Communities in the U.S.	ECPAT-USA	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
4:30 PM	Women Under Siege, New and Emerging Forms of Violence Against Women in the MENA Region	International Civil Society Action Network--Global Network of Women Peacebuilders (ICAN-GNWP)	CCUN	2nd Floor
4:30 PM	Ending Violence Against Women and Girls - Effective Practices	International Federation of University Women	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
4:30 PM	Women's Vital Role in Confronting Violent Extremism and Building Peace	Civil Society Network for Human Security: An initiative of Cordaid and GPPAC, WLP	CCUN	10th Floor
4:30 PM	Women's Economic Empowerment and Equal Opportunities in Private and Public Sectors	Women Entrepreneurs Association of Turkey	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
4:30 PM	Women's Economic Empowerment and Equal Opportunities in Private and Public Sectors	Women Entrepreneurs Association of Turkey	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
4:30 PM	Interrupting the Continuum of Gender and Sexually-Based Violence in the Pacific	Fiji Women's Rights Movement (FWRM) and Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era (DAWN)	ACC	Guild Hall
4:30 PM	Digital Story Telling: Young People's Voices in GBV and HIV Response in Zimbabwe	Rozaria Memorial Trust, SAF AIDS and Women's Coalition of Zimbabwe	ACC	Y-Room
4:30 PM	Global Awareness of the Epidemic of Violence Against Women: Can We Stop Looking Away?	L.O.V.E. Task Force on Non-Violent Living The Church of the Holy Trinity	ACC	V-Hall

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Time	Title	Sponsors	Location	Room
6:15 PM	El feminicidio: una cuestión de impunidad y discriminación en Mesoamérica	Católicas Por el Derecho a Decidir ac: CATÁ	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
6:15 PM	Creating Economic Opportunity for GBV Survivors in Haiti: A For-Profit/Non-Profit/NGO Hybrid Approach	Church Women United, Prosperity Candle	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
6:15 PM	Building Bridges in and Between Sudan and South Sudan	Clark University, The Sisterhood for Peace	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
6:15 PM	Faith Does Not Put limits to Women's Health and Rights	World Council of Churches and Lutheran World Federation	CCUN	10th Floor
6:15 PM	Women's Right to Safety and Support, Ensuring the Access of Undocumented Migrant Women to Services	Women Against Violence Europe (WAVE)	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
6:15 PM	The European Parliament's Role in the Struggle Against Violence Against Women	European Parliament	ACC	Guild Hall
6:15 PM	Grassroots Activism and Global Women's Conference (SWCW): Millionth Circle, Tipping Point	Pathways To Peace Millionth Circle Initiative	ACC	V-Hall

Wednesday, 6 March 2013

Time	Title	Sponsors	Location	Room
8:30 AM	Violence-Free Sport and Physical Activity: From Research to Policy to Social Change	WomenSport International International Working Group on Women and Sport	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
8:30 AM	Policy-Making to Reduce Maternal Mortality: A Holistic Approach to Maternal Care	Vida y Familia de Guadalajara Alliance Defending Freedom	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
8:30 AM	Local Solutions to Global Human Trafficking	San Francisco Department on the Status of Women	CCUN	10th Floor

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Time	Title	Sponsors	Location	Room
8:30 AM	The Power of Peaks and Alliances	Australian National Committee for UN Women Australian Women Against Violence Alliance (AWAVA)	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
8:30 AM	Acces des Femmes Victimes de Violence a la Justice: Experiences et Perspectives en Afrique de l'Ouest	Funding Leadership Opportunities for Women (FLOW)	ACC	Guild Hall
8:30 AM	Female Genital Mutilation: The African Diaspora, the European Network, FGM and the USA	EuroNet FGM (European Network for the Eradication of Female Genital Mutilation)	ACC	Y-Room
8:30 AM	Innovative Approaches to Challenge Cultural Practices That Promote and Fuel Violence Against Women	Open Society Foundations, International Women's Program	ACC	V-Hall
8:30 AM	We Are Enough To Stop Violence	International Public Policy Institute Circle Connections	SA	Auditorium
8:30 AM	End Violence Online: Women's Rights and Safety on the Internet	Association for Progressive Communications	SA	Downstairs Room
10:30 AM	Prevention of Domestic Violence in Aboriginal Areas	Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Good Shepherd	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
10:30 AM	Preventing Violence Against Women and Girls by Ending Early Marriage	World Vision Girls Not Brides	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
10:30 AM	Challenging and Preventing Hidden War Crimes: Film Screening and Panel Discussion	Agency for Cooperation and Research in Development (ACORD)	CCUN	2nd Floor
10:30 AM	Men and Women Partnering to End Violence Against Women	Salesian Missions International Institute of Maria Ausiliatrice	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
10:30 AM	Moving the Immigrant Girl From Violence of Cultural Uprooting to Empowerment of Creative Expression	Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur	CCUN	10th Floor
10:30 AM	Stopping Exploitation of Girls at Major Events	Working Group on Girls, Inc. League of Women Voters US	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor

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10:30 AM	Influences of Culture and Abuse	SHINA, Inc. Pan American, Pan African Association, Inc.	ACC	½ Ballroom
10:30 AM	Neonatal Resuscitation Training Worldwide	New York Office of Public and International Affairs, LDS Charities	ACC	Guild Hall
10:30 AM	The Role of NGOs in Combating Violence Against Women and Girls (Best Practices In Sudan)	Sudan Permanent Mission to the UN	ACC	Y-Room
10:30 AM	Joining the Dots: Women's Economic Strategies in the Context of Violence and Conflict in the AP Region	Asia Pacific Women's Watch (APWW)	ACC	V-Hall
10:30 AM	U.S. Women Connect, Winning Strategies and Solutions, to Stop Violence Against Native Women	Women's Intercultural Network Coalition of Women from Asia and the Middle East	SA	Auditorium
10:30 AM	Mudgin-gal Aboriginal Women - Tackling Violence	Mudgin-gal Aboriginal Corporation - Women's Centre	SA	Downstairs Room
12:30 PM	Partnering to Prevent Gender-Based Violence and Achieve an HIV-Free Generation in Rwanda	U.S. Fund for UNICEF	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
12:30 PM	Innovative Approaches to Challenge Cultural Practices That Promote and Fuel Violence Against Women	Open Society Foundations, International Women's Program	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
12:30 PM	Violence Against Women: What do Race and Class Have to do With It?	United Methodist Women	CCUN	2nd Floor
12:30 PM	Women and the Egyptian Revolution: Documentation as Resistance	Women and Memory Forum	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
12:30 PM	Violence Against Women in Guatemala: Risks and Remedies	Worldwide Organization for Women NGO Forum for Health	CCUN	10th Floor
12:30 PM	Plan International 'Because I am a Girl' Campaign: Girls Speak Out! Youth-Led Event.	Plan International	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor

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12:30 PM	Girls Ending the Cycle: Combating Intergenerational Violence through Leadership and Empowerment.	Girls Scouts of America Working Group on Girls	ACC	Guild Hall
12:30 PM	Voices: The Views of Young People	Women's Alliance for a Democratic Iraq	ACC	Y-Room
12:30 PM	Time 4 Peace: Ending Violence Against Women and Girls: An Idea Whose Time Has Come	Millionth Circle Initiative International Public Policy Institute	ACC	V-Hall
12:30 PM	Violence and the Church: A Salvation Army Perspective	Salvation Army	SA	Auditorium
12:30 PM	Violence Against Older Women: Re-thinking Violence in the 21st Century	HelpAge International International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (INPEA)	SA	Downstairs Room
2:30 PM	Mental Health Implications of Violence against Women and Girls: Prevention and Intervention	World Federation for Mental Health (WFMH)	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
2:30 PM	From Hurt to Hope: Women of the Church Confronting Institutional Violence	Presbyterian Women Aotearoa/New Zealand, Interfaith Worker Justice, Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church (USA)	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
2:30 PM	Health Promotion Tips for Women	Hope Medical Enterprises	CCUN	2nd Floor
2:30 PM	Elimination of Violence Against Women and Girls in Asia-Pacific	Korean National Council of Women	CCUN	10th Floor
2:30 PM	Zero Tolerance of Violence Against Girls	Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
2:30 PM	Prosecuting Gender-Based Crimes and the ICC	International Alliance of Women	ACC	½ Ballroom
2:30 PM	Ending Impunity: Holding the DSK's, Elliott Spitzer's and the Berlusconi's Accountable	Coalition Against Trafficking in Women International	ACC	Guild Hall
2:30 PM	Peace and Security: Elusive Opportunity for Afro-Colombian Women in Conflict Zones	Black Communities Process: PCN and Global Rights and The Center for Women's Global Leadership	ACC	Y-Room

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2:30 PM	Media as an Instrument to Fight Violence Against Women in Conflict-Affected Settings	Peace Is Loud Global Network of Women Peace Builders	ACC	V-Hall
2:30 PM	Crossing the Line: Sexual Harassment in Schools	Working Group on Girls Association of University Women	SA	Auditorium
2:30 PM	Community Mobilisation: Raising Street Voices Approach	Ilitha Labantu	SA	Downstairs Room
2:30 PM	Performing Arts Workshop: Preventing and Responding to Violence Against Women	Sistren Theatre Collective Grassroots Organizations Operating Together in Sisterhood	TECO	Auditorium
4:30 PM	Women's Right to Freedom from the Violence of Prostitution	Canadian Federation of University Women	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
4:30 PM	Human Rights, Security and Young Women	World YWCA Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF)	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
4:30 PM	Sextortion and the Gender Approach to Corruption: Grassroots Women and Judges Take the Lead	International Association of Women Judges Huairou Commission	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
4:30 PM	In Our Right Minds, Guiding Women to their Strength as Leaders, Leading Men to Strength without Armor	Montage Initiative The Guild for Service	CCUN	10th Floor
4:30 PM	Donor-Activist Dialogue: Invigorating Multi-Stakeholder Responses to Violence Against Women	Global Fund for Women (GFW), International Women's Rights Watch- Asia-Pacific (IWRAP)	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
4:30 PM	Spotlight on Intersectionality: Gender, Ethnicity, Age, Sexual Orientation, Disability and VAW	FOKUS- Forum for Women and Development	ACC	Guild Hall
4:30 PM	Strengthening Struggles Against Sexual Violence: Young Women Experiences and Intergeneration Dialogue	Forum Mulher, Mozambique	ACC	Y-Room
4:30 PM	Rural Women Fight Violence Against Women and Girls	Rural Development Leadership Network	ACC	V-Hall

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6:15 PM	Transgender Communities: Ending Violence and Building Safety	Astraea Foundation	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
6:15 PM	Violence Against Women and Prostitution: Protecting Women's Rights in Europe and Worldwide	European Women's Lobby (EWL), Concertation des Luttes contre l'Exploitation Sexuelle (CLES), Quebec, Canada	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
6:15 PM	Malian Women and Girls Respond to Violence at Home and Jihadist Occupied North of Mali	The Milan Cultural Center	ACC	Guild Hall
6:15 PM	Gender Harmony vs. Violence Against Women: A Promising Tool!	Yayasan Gender Harmony UNFPA Indonesia	ACC	Y-Room

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Time	Title	Sponsors	Location	Room
8:30 AM	Education of Violence in Women and Children	Simply Help	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
8:30 AM	Equal Sharing of Responsibilities Between Women and Men, Young People Speak Out.	Asociacion Nacional Civica Femenina	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
8:30 AM	CEDAW and General Recommendation 19--Violence Against Women	International Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA)	CCUN	10th Floor
8:30 AM	Gender-Based Violence and Religion: An Intersectional Perspective	The Fellowship of Reconciliation, Nyack, NY Women Studies Program, The City College of New York	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
8:30 AM	When Pastors Prey	World Student Christian Federation, World Council of Churches	ACC	Y-Room
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8:30 AM	Ending all Forms of Violence Against Women and Girls	Socialist International Women	ACC	V-Hall
8:30 AM	The Young Women's Shelters in Sweden: Methods and Language to Reach out to Young Women and Girls	Roks, The National Organisation for Women's Shelters and Young Women's Shelters in Sweden	SA	Auditorium
8:30 AM	The Natural Law and Protection of Women	JMJ Children's Fund of Canada, Inc	SA	Downstairs Room
10:30 AM	Introduction of New Laws A South Asian Experience (Context of Bangladesh)	Bangladesh Mahila Parishad (BMP)	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
10:30 AM	Violence Against Women and Intersections with the Environment	Women's Environment and Development Organization (WEDO) Women in Europe for a Common Future (WECF)	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
10:30 AM	Violence Against Girls Across the World: A Male Socialization Response	International Association of Schools of Social Work	CCUN	2nd Floor
10:30 AM	Corporate Sexual Responsibility - Ethical Partnerships to Abolish Prostitution	Swedish Women's Lobby	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
10:30 AM	Women with Disability: Impact of intersectionality of Multiple Violence and Discrimination	One Billion Strong, UN Women and Government of Thailand	CCUN	10th Floor
10:30 AM	USA: Trafficking, Bullying, Abuse in the Legal System and Cultural Sexual Violence	The National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
10:30 AM	Challenging Discrimination and Violence Against the LGBT Community in Haiti	MADRE The International Women's Human Rights Clinic (IWHR) at the CUNY School of Law	ACC	Guild Hall
10:30 AM	Working with Government to Eliminate Violence Against Women and Girls	Womankind Worldwide	ACC	Y-Room
10:30 AM	Documentary on Survivors of Violence Against Women and Panel Discussion on Initiatives for the Prevention of Violence Against Women and Girls in Africa	Women Consortium of Nigeria (WOCON) Nigeria Ministry of Women's Affairs	ACC	V-Hall

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10:30 AM	From Girl Child to Mature Woman: A Life Course Approach to Gender Empowerment and Violence-Free Life	Soroptimist International World Young Women Christian Association (YWCA)	SA	Auditorium
10:30 AM	Determinant of Intimate Partner Violence in Women in Nigeria	Medical Women's Association of Nigeria	SA	Downstairs Room
10:30 AM	Because Our Cause Is Just: The Fight for Women's Security, Rights and Democracy in MENA - Film and Panel	Women's Learning Partnership	TECO	Auditorium
12:30 PM	Caregiving and Healthy Practices Among Women Including Those with HIV/AIDS	The Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in New York	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
12:30 PM	Tradition, Culture and Religion: Affirming Existing Human Rights Agreements to Strengthen the Effort	Association for Women's Rights in Development	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
12:30 PM	Violence Against Migrant Women and the Human Rights Framework	United Methodist Women	CCUN	2nd Floor
12:30 PM	Violence Against Women in the Workplace – the Style and Substance of Economic Discrimination	International Federation of Business and Professional Women (BPW-International)	CCUN	10th Floor
12:30 PM	Girls Challenges and Responses: Making Our Voices Heard	United Methodist Women Working Group on Girls	CCUN	11th Floor Hardin Room
12:30 PM	Feminist Activism Against Gender-Based Violence –Chinese Experience	Oxfam Hong Kong Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era	ACC	Guild Hall
12:30 PM	Victory Over Violence: Women Leading Through Education	Soka Gakkai International Human Rights Education Associates	ACC	Y-Room
12:30 PM	Linkages Between Violence Against Women and Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights: A Panel Discussion	High-Level Task for the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD)	ACC	V-Hall
12:30 PM	Survivors Speak: Prostitution and Sex Trafficking	Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Good Shepherd, Coalition Against Trafficking in Women International (CATW)	SA	Auditorium
12:30 PM	It is Time to Act: Prevent Gender-Based Violence among School-Age Children, Boys and Girls	International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES), The CONGO Committee on Children's Rights	SA	Downstairs Room

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12:30 PM	Strategies and Tactics to Eliminate Violence Against Women in Townships and in Rural Communities	Ilitha Labantu	TECO	Auditorium
2:30 PM	Making our Domestic Violence Laws and Policies Work in Practice	WOREC, Women's Rehabilitation Centre, Nepal Masimanyane, South Africa	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
2:30 PM	Addressing Violence Against Women and Girls in Afghanistan - 2014 and Beyond	Women's UN Report Network (WUNRN)	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
2:30 PM	Stop the Cycle: Strategies to Prevent Violence Against Girls	International Council of Jewish Women Armenian Relief Society	CCUN	2nd Floor
2:30 PM	Prevention of Psychological Harm in the Face of Violence	International Psychoanalytical Association UNICEF	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
2:30 PM	The Role of the Government and Civil Society in Eradication of VAW in Iraq	Al-Hakim Foundation	CCUN	10th Floor
2:30 PM	African Faith groups: Help or Hindrance in Eliminating and Preventing Violence Against Women?	Tearfund UK 28 Too Many	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
2:30 PM	Violence Against Women: Will the Churches Help?	St Joan's International Alliance	ACC	½ Ballroom
2:30 PM	Using the Strength of Australian Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Communities to Stop VAW	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women's Alliance (NATSIWA) Australian Women Against Violence Alliance (AWAVA)	ACC	Guild Hall
2:30 PM	Between a Rock and a Hard Place: The Multiple Dimensions of Violence Faced by Indigenous and Rural Women	Asia Indigenous People's Pact	ACC	Y-Room
2:30 PM	Rape: A Crime Against Humanity	European Women's Lobby (EWL) The Conference of NGOs in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations (CoNGO)	ACC	V-Hall

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2:30 PM	Why Are Policies on Prostitution Important to Combat Violence Against Women?	Roks, The National Organisation for Women's Shelters and Young Women's Shelters in Sweden, Coalition Against Trafficking in Women, USA	SA	Auditorium
2:30 PM	National Declaration by Religious and Spiritual Leaders to Address Violence Against Women	Baptist World Alliance Women's Department	SA	Downstairs Room
2:30 PM	Livelihood Programmes Targeting Women in Africa: Burden or Opportunity for Caregiving in HIV Affect	Agency for Cooperation and Research in Development (ACORD)	TECO	Auditorium
4:30 PM	Challenges and Opportunities of Technology for Combating Violence Against Women	Women's Intercultural Network	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
4:30 PM	The War at Home: GBV Indicators Project in Five SADC Countries	Southern Africa Gender Protocol Alliance Gender Links	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
4:30 PM	Violence against Women in War Zones: Prescriptions for Ending Systemic Failures in Preventing War Crimes	KARAMAH: Muslim Women Lawyers for Human Rights	CCUN	2nd Floor
4:30 PM	Marriages Without Happiness or a Future: Child Marriage, Polygamy and "Traditional Values"	Open Society Foundations, International Women's Program	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
4:30 PM	Global Perspectives on Violence Against Women and Girls	The Virginia Gildersleeve International Fund, Inc. (VGIF)	CCUN	10th Floor
4:30 PM	Violence Against Women in Iran and the Challenges	Italian Association for Women in Development (AIDOS)	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
4:30 PM	(Out)Lasting Patriarchal Violence: Canadian Feminist Research Within a Global Context for Change	Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women	ACC	½ Ballroom
4:30 PM	Survivors Speak: Prostitution and Sex Trafficking	Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Good Shepherd, Coalition Against Trafficking in Women International (CATW)	ACC	Guild Hall
4:30 PM	Redonner du Pouvoir et de l'Efficacite a la Justice pour Prevenir les Violences Basees sur le Genre	Agency for Cooperation and Research in Development (ACORD)	ACC	Y-Room
4:30 PM	Microfinance and Gender Equality in the Business Sector	San Francisco State University, Adafruit Industries	ACC	V-Hall

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6:15 PM	Information and Education to Defeat Violence	IUS Primi VIRI International Association ZONTA International	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
6:15 PM	Young Women in Front: Ending Violence Through Next Generation Leadership	YWCA Canada World YWCA	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
6:15 PM	Mentally Healthy Communities: Preventing and Intervening in Violence Against Women	NGO Committee on Mental Health International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies	CCUN	2nd Floor
6:15 PM	Best Practices for Eliminating Violence Against Women and HIV to Advance Women's Rights	Women Won't Wait Campaign	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
6:15 PM	Degradation of the Environment and Violence Against Women and Girls	Earthchild Institute Bioneers	CCUN	Grumman Room, 8th Floor
6:15 PM	Women Helping Women - Putting Your Life Back Together	The Temple of Understanding The Business of Me	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
6:15 PM	Global African Perspectives on Violence Against Women and Girls: Causes, Commonalities and Solutions	Women's Consortium of Nigeria (WOCON) African Women's Alliance, Inc. (AWA)	ACC	Guild Hall
6:15 PM	Siguiendo el Proceso de Paz en Colombia	Red Nacional de Mujeres Colombia	ACC	Y-Room
6:15 PM	Religions for Peace Women of Faith Network Restoring Dignity Campaign - Say No to Violence Against Women	International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES) The Manhattan Multicultural Conference	ACC	V-Hall

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Time	Title	Sponsors	Location	Room
8:30 AM	Reproductive Health, Choice and Consequence	Endeavour Forum Inc. The Howard Center for Family, Religion and Society	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
8:30 AM	Stop The Demand: Youth-to- Youth Project Against Trafficking in Kenya	UNANIMA International	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
8:30 AM	Setting Women Free - Addressing the Forgotten Factor Behind Gender-Based Violence	IOGT International The International Institute of the IOGT-NTO Movement, Sweden	CCUN	10th Floor
8:30 AM	Violence and Precarity: Workplace Challenges and Responses	Education International (EI) International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
8:30 AM	Challenges in the Prevention of Gender-Based Violence in Gender Equality-Friendly Societies	Equality and Anti-Discrimination Ombud of Norway and FOKUS	SA	Auditorium
8:30 AM	Assessing Efforts At Confronting Gender-Based Violence and the Implications for Women's Rights	Network for Women's Rights in Ghana (NETRIGHT)	SA	Downstairs Room
10:30 AM	We Will Speak Out: Breaking the Church's Silence on Violence Against Women and Girls	Church of England Anglican Communion	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
10:30 AM	Gender Stereotypes - Gender Violence	Women Enabled Women's UN Report Network (WUNRN) National Organization for Women (NOW)	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
10:30 AM	A Global Outcry: It Should Not Hurt To Be a Girl	National Council of Women of the United States International Council of Women	CCUN	2ND Floor
10:30 AM	The Power of Partnership to Eliminate Violence and Empower Women and Girls	Women's International Center and Foundation, Connect NYC	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
10:30 AM	Sexed Pistols Reloaded: A Case Study of Sexual Violence in the Context of Conflict in the DRC.	Eastern African Sub-Regional Support Initiative for Advancement of Women.	CCUN	10th Floor
10:30 AM	Constitutional Reform and the Battle for Women's Citizenship Rights and Freedom From Violence	Collective for Research and Training on Development Action (CRTD-A) Women's Learning Partnership (WLP)	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor

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10:30 AM	Strategic Partnership with Media on Violence Against Women	International Association Of Women in Radio (IAWRT), Forum for Women in Development (Fokus)	SA	Auditorium
10:30 AM	Equal Pay Day	International Federation of Business and Professional Women	SA	Downstairs Room
12:30 PM	A Woman of Russia in the III Millennium	OPTIMA PROJECT, Joint-Stock Human Capital	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
12:30 PM	Overcoming The Pain of Abuse and Violence Against Women and Girls	DIANOVA (International, USA and Chile) United Methodist Women	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
12:30 PM	What Works? Preventing Human Trafficking	Institute of the Blessed Virgin The Partnership for Global Justice	CCUN	2ND Floor
12:30 AM	Foundation for a Violence-Free Future: The Role of Young People in Eliminating Gender-Based Violence	UN Women National Committee, Australia	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
12:30 PM	Thinking Big: A Convention for the Elimination of Violence Against Women	Australian Women Against Violence Alliance (AWAVA) Women's Services Network (WESNET)	CCUN	10th Floor
12:30 PM	Training Workshop: Tools and Methods to Build Safer Communities and Cities for Women and Girls	The Huairou Commission	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
12:30 PM	Women Leading Change: Strategies to Improve the Political and Public Representation of Women	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women's Alliance Young Women's Christian Association Australia	SA	Auditorium
12:30 PM	Empowering Women Living with Violence; Presentation of a Method Used in Sweden	The Swedish National Federation of International Immigrant Women's Associations (RIFFI)	SA	Downstairs Room
2:30 PM	"A Harvest of Shame" Elimination of Women and Girls re HIV/AIDS	Voices of African Mothers, Inc.	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
2:30 PM	From Acceptance to Resistance: Changing Attitudes Surrounding Violence Against Women	United Nations Association of the USA, UN Foundation	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor

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2:30 PM	Valuing Care Work: Recent Australian Research and Methodologies	YWCA Australia	CCUN	2ND Floor
2:30 PM	When Will Violence Against Women and Girls End?	World Federation of Ukrainian Women's Organization's	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
2:30 PM	Stop Stoning Globally	Women's UN Report Network	CCUN	10th Floor
2:30 PM	The Roots Behind Violence Against Women	Jordanian Women's Union as the Regional Coordinator for the Arab Feminist Network	SA	Auditorium
2:30 PM	Violence Against Women and the Girl Child	Endeavour Forum Inc. The Howard Center for Family, Religion and Society	SA	Downstairs Room
4:30 PM	In Her Own Image: Restorative Justice, African Women and the Female Child	The Drammeh Institute, Inc. Pan African Strategic Policy and Research Group (PANAFSTRAG, USA)	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
4:30 PM	Activating Spiritual and Divine Values in Combating Violence Against Women	Al-Hakim Foundation	CCUN	Chapel, 1st Floor
4:30 PM	South Asian Reality: Growing Domestic Violence	The Asia Foundation	CCUN	2ND Floor
4:30 PM	Economic Empowerment to Fight Violence Against Rural Women	Rural Development Leadership Network	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
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10:30 AM	Circle of Change: Sustainable Solutions for the Prevention of Discrimination Against Women and Girls	The Institute for Conscious Global Change African Moringa Alliance	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
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12:30 PM	Home, Sweet home?: Responding to the Challenges of Domestic Violence and Homelessness	Young Women's Christian Association Australia	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
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12:30 PM	Women: Equality of Rights and Labor	Women International Democratic Federation (WIDF) Regional Office of America and Caribbean Women for Racial and Economic Equality	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor
2:30 PM	Violence Against Ethiopian Women in Ethiopia and in the Diaspora	Nation to Nation Networking	CCUN	Drew Room, Ground Floor
2:30 PM	Engaging Men in Building Gender Equality and Ending Violence Against Women	UN Women National Committee Australia	CCUN	Boss Room, 8th Floor
2:30 PM	Successful Strategies and Funding Mechanisms to Eradicate VAW: Women Moving Mountains	Association for Women's Rights in Development	CCUN	10th Floor
2:30 PM	1 in 4: GBV Analyses by Women's Studies Students from The City College of New York.	The City College of New York, Women's Studies Program	CCUN	Hardin Room, 11th Floor

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Draft agreed conclusions submitted by the Chair of the Commission, Ms. Marjon V. Kamara (Liberia), on the basis of informal consultations

The elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls

1. The Commission on the Status of Women reaffirms the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, the outcome documents of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, and the declarations adopted by the Commission on the occasion of the tenth and fifteenth anniversaries of the Fourth World Conference on Women.
2. The Commission also reaffirms the international commitments made at relevant United Nations summits and conferences in the area of gender equality and the empowerment of women, including in the Programme of Action at the International Conference on Population and Development and the key actions for its further implementation.
3. The Commission reaffirms that the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and the Convention on the Rights of the Child, and the Optional Protocols thereto, as well as other relevant conventions and treaties, provide an international legal framework and a comprehensive set of measures for the elimination and prevention of all forms of discrimination and violence against women and girls, as a cross-cutting issue addressed in different international instruments.
4. The Commission recalls the rules of international humanitarian law, including the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and the Additional Protocols thereto of 1977.
5. The Commission recalls the inclusion of gender-related crimes and crimes of sexual violence in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, as well as



the recognition by the ad hoc international criminal tribunals that rape and other forms of sexual violence can constitute a war crime, a crime against humanity or a constitutive act with respect to genocide or torture.

6. The Commission acknowledges also the important role in the prevention and elimination of discrimination and violence against women and girls played by regional conventions, instruments and initiatives and their follow-up mechanisms, in respective regions and countries.

7. The Commission reaffirms the commitment to the full and effective implementation of and follow-up to all relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, in particular the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women, and the Economic and Social Council and its subsidiary bodies on the elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls. It also reaffirms its previous agreed conclusions on violence against women (1998) and on elimination of discrimination and violence against the girl child (2007).

8. The Commission recalls Security Council resolutions 1325 (2000) of 31 October 2000, 1820 (2008) of 19 June 2008, 1888 (2009) of 30 September 2009, 1889 (2009) of 5 October 2009 and 1960 (2010) of 16 December 2010 on women and peace and security and all relevant Security Council resolutions on children and armed conflict, including resolutions 1882 (2009) of 4 August 2009 and 1998 (2011) of 12 July 2011 on armed conflict and post-conflict situations.

9. The Commission also recalls Human Rights Council resolutions 17/11 of 17 June 2011 on accelerating efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against women: ensuring due diligence in protection, 20/6 of 5 July 2012 on the elimination of discrimination against women and 20/12 of 5 July 2012 on accelerating efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against women: remedies for women who have been subjected to violence.

10. The Commission affirms that violence against women and girls is rooted in historical and structural inequality in power relations between women and men, and persists in every country in the world as a pervasive violation of the enjoyment of human rights. Gender-based violence is a form of discrimination that seriously violates and impairs or nullifies the enjoyment by women and girls of all human rights and fundamental freedoms. Violence against women and girls is characterized by the use and abuse of power and control in public and private spheres, and is intrinsically linked with gender stereotypes that underlie and perpetuate such violence, as well as other factors that can increase women's and girls' vulnerability to such violence.

11. The Commission stresses that "violence against women" means any act of gender-based violence that results in, or is likely to result in, physical, sexual or psychological harm or suffering to women and girls, including threats of such acts, coercion or arbitrary deprivation of liberty, whether occurring in public or in private life. The Commission also notes the economic and social harm caused by such violence.

12. The Commission strongly condemns all forms of violence against women and girls. It recognizes their different forms and manifestations, in different contexts, settings, circumstances and relationships, and that domestic violence remains the most prevalent form that affects women of all social strata across the world. It also notes that women and girls who face multiple forms of discrimination are exposed to increased risk of violence.

13. The Commission urges States to strongly condemn violence against women and girls committed in armed conflict and post-conflict situations, and recognizes that sexual and gender-based violence affects victims and survivors, families, communities and societies, and calls for effective measures of accountability and redress as well as effective remedies.

14. The Commission urges States to strongly condemn all forms of violence against women and girls and to refrain from invoking any custom, tradition or religious consideration to avoid their obligations with respect to its elimination as set out in the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women.

15. The Commission recognizes that all human rights are universal, indivisible and interdependent and interrelated and that the international community must treat human rights globally in a fair and equal manner, on the same footing and with the same emphasis, and stresses that, while the significance of national and regional particularities and various historical, cultural and religious backgrounds must be borne in mind, it is the duty of States regardless of their political, economic and cultural systems to promote and protect all human rights and fundamental freedoms.

16. The Commission stresses that all States have the obligation, at all levels, to use all appropriate means of a legislative, political, economic, social and administrative nature in order to promote and protect all human rights and fundamental freedoms of women and girls, and must exercise due diligence to prevent, investigate, prosecute and punish the perpetrators of violence against women and girls and end impunity, and to provide protection as well as access to appropriate remedies for victims and survivors.

17. The Commission stresses that the right to education is a human right, and that eliminating illiteracy, ensuring equal access to education, in particular in rural and remote areas, and closing the gender gap at all levels of education empowers women and girls and thereby contributes to the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against women and girls.

18. The Commission reaffirms that women and men have the right to enjoy, on an equal basis, all their human rights and fundamental freedoms. It urges States to prevent all violations of all human rights and fundamental freedoms of women and girls and to devote particular attention to abolishing practices and legislation that discriminate against women and girls, or perpetuate and condone violence against them.

19. The Commission stresses that the realization of gender equality and the empowerment of women, including women's economic empowerment and full and equal access to resources, and their full integration into the formal economy, in particular in economic decision-making, as well as their full and equal participation in public and political life is essential for addressing the structural and underlying causes of violence against women and girls.

20. The Commission also recognizes the persistence of obstacles that remain for the prevention and elimination of all forms of violence against women and girls, and that the prevention and response to such violence requires States to act, at all levels, at each and every opportunity in a comprehensive and holistic manner that recognizes the linkages between violence against women and girls and other issues, such as education, health, HIV and AIDS, poverty eradication, food security, peace and security, humanitarian assistance and crime prevention.

21. The Commission recognizes that women's poverty and lack of empowerment, as well as their marginalization resulting from their exclusion from social and economic policies and from the benefits of education and sustainable development can place them at increased risk of violence, and that violence against women impedes the social and economic development of communities and States, as well as the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals.
22. The Commission recognizes that violence against women has both short- and long-term adverse consequences on their health, including their sexual and reproductive health, and the enjoyment of their human rights, and that respecting and promoting sexual and reproductive health, and protecting and fulfilling reproductive rights in accordance with the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development, the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome documents of their review conferences, is a necessary condition to achieve gender equality and the empowerment of women to enable them to enjoy all their human rights and fundamental freedoms, and to prevent and mitigate violence against women.
23. The Commission expresses deep concern about violence against women and girls in public spaces, including sexual harassment, especially when it is being used to intimidate women and girls who are exercising any of their human rights and fundamental freedoms.
24. The Commission expresses concern about violent gender-related killings of women and girls, while recognizing efforts made to address this form of violence in different regions, including in countries where the concept of femicide or feminicide has been incorporated in national legislation.
25. The Commission recognizes that illicit use of and illicit trade in small arms and light weapons aggravates violence, inter alia, against women and girls.
26. The Commission recognizes the vulnerability of older women and the particular risk of violence they face, and stresses the urgent need to address violence and discrimination against them, especially in the light of the growing proportion of older people in the world's population.
27. The Commission reaffirms that indigenous women often suffer multiple forms of discrimination and poverty which increase their vulnerability to all forms of violence; and stresses the need to seriously address violence against indigenous women and girls.
28. The Commission recognizes the important role of the community, in particular men and boys, as well as civil society, in particular women's and youth organizations, in the efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against women and girls.
29. The Commission acknowledges the strategic and coordinating role of national machineries for the advancement of women, which should be placed at the highest possible level in government, for the elimination of discrimination and violence against women and girls, and the need to endow these machineries with the necessary human and sufficient financial resources to enable them to function effectively. The Commission also acknowledges the contribution of national human rights institutions where they exist.

30. The Commission recognizes the important role of the United Nations system, in particular of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), in addressing discrimination and violence against women and girls at the global, regional and national levels and in assisting States, upon their request, in their efforts to eliminate and prevent all forms of violence against women and girls.

31. The Commission stresses the importance of data collection on the prevention and elimination of violence against women and girls, and in that regard takes note of the work of the Statistical Commission towards a set of indicators on violence against women.

32. The Commission welcomes the progress made in addressing violence against women and girls such as the adoption of relevant laws and policies, the implementation of preventive measures, the establishment of protection and appropriate support services for victims and survivors and improvement in data collection, analysis and research. In this regard, the Commission welcomes the contributions and participation of governments at all levels, and all relevant stakeholders in efforts to address violence against women and girls in a holistic manner.

33. The Commission recognizes that despite progress made, significant gaps and challenges remain in fulfilling commitments and bridging the implementation gap in addressing the scourge of violence against women and girls. The Commission is in particular concerned about: insufficient gender-sensitive policies; inadequate implementation of legal and policy frameworks; inadequate collection of data, analysis and research; lack of financial and human resources and insufficient allocation of such resources; and that existing efforts are not always comprehensive, coordinated, consistent, sustained, transparent and adequately monitored and evaluated.

34. The Commission urges governments, at all levels, and as appropriate, with the relevant entities of the United Nations system, international and regional organizations, within their respective mandates and bearing in mind national priorities, and invites national human rights institutions where they exist, civil society, including non-governmental organizations, the private sector, employer organizations, trade unions, media and other relevant actors, as applicable, to take the following actions:

A. Strengthening implementation of legal and policy frameworks and accountability

(a) Consider ratifying or acceding to, as a particular matter of priority, the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and the Convention on the Rights of the Child and their respective Optional Protocols, limit the extent of any reservations, formulate any such reservations as precisely and as narrowly as possible to ensure that no reservations are incompatible with the object and purpose of the Conventions, review their reservations regularly with a view to withdrawing them and withdraw reservations that are contrary to the object and purpose of the relevant treaty; and implement them fully by, inter alia, putting in place effective national legislation and policies, and encourages States parties in

their reporting to relevant treaty bodies to include requested information on measures to address violence against women and girls;

(b) Encourage the use of all relevant sources of international law, international guidelines and best practices regarding protection of victims and survivors to combat violence against women and girls;

(c) Adopt, as appropriate, review, and ensure the accelerated and effective implementation of laws and comprehensive measures that criminalize violence against women and girls, and that provide for multidisciplinary and gender-sensitive preventive and protective measures such as emergency barring orders and protection orders, the investigation, submission for prosecution and appropriate punishment of perpetrators to end impunity, support services that empower victims and survivors, as well as access to appropriate civil remedies and redress;

(d) Address and eliminate, as a matter of priority, domestic violence through adopting, strengthening and implementing legislation that prohibits such violence, prescribes punitive measures and establishes adequate legal protection against such violence;

(e) Strengthen national legislation, where appropriate, to punish violent gender-related killings of women and girls and integrate specific mechanisms or policies to prevent, investigate and eradicate such deplorable forms of gender-based violence;

(f) Ensure women's and girls' unimpeded access to justice and to effective legal assistance so that they can make informed decisions regarding, *inter alia*, legal proceedings and issues relating to family law and criminal law, and also ensure that they have access to just and effective remedies for the harm that they have suffered, including through the adoption of national legislation where necessary;

(g) Take the necessary legislative and/or other measures to prohibit compulsory and forced alternative dispute resolution processes, including forced mediation and conciliation, in relation to all forms of violence against women and girls;

(h) Review and where appropriate, revise, amend or abolish all laws, regulations, policies, practices and customs that discriminate against women or have a discriminatory impact on women, and ensure that the provisions of multiple legal systems, where they exist, comply with international human rights obligations, commitments and principles, including the principle of non-discrimination;

(i) Mainstream a gender perspective into all legislation, policies and programmes and allocate adequate financial and human resources, including through the expanded use of gender-responsive planning and budgeting, taking into account the needs and circumstances of women and girls, including victims and survivors of violence, for the development, adoption and full implementation of relevant laws, policies and programmes to address discrimination and violence against women and girls and for support to women's organizations;

(j) Increase the investment in gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls, taking into account the diversity of needs and circumstances of women and girls including victims and survivors of violence, including through mainstreaming a gender perspective in resource allocation and ensuring the necessary human, financial and material resources for specific targeted activities to

ensure gender equality at the local, national, regional and international levels, as well through enhanced and increased international cooperation;

(k) Develop and implement effective multisectoral national policies, strategies and programmes, with the full and effective participation of women and girls, which include measures for prevention, protection and support services and responses; data collection, research, monitoring and evaluation; the establishment of coordination mechanisms; allocation of adequate financial and human resources; independent national monitoring and accountability mechanisms; and clear timelines and national benchmarks for results to be achieved;

(l) Ensure that in armed conflict and post-conflict situations the prevention of and response to all forms of violence against women and girls, including sexual and gender-based violence, are prioritized and effectively addressed, including as appropriate through the investigation, prosecution and punishment of perpetrators to end impunity, removal of barriers to women's access to justice, the establishment of complaint and reporting mechanisms, the provision of support to victims and survivors, affordable and accessible health-care services, including sexual and reproductive health, and reintegration measures; and take steps to increase women's participation in conflict resolution and peacebuilding processes and post-conflict decision-making;

(m) Ensure accountability for the killing, maiming and targeting of women and girls and crimes of sexual violence, as prohibited under international law, stressing the need for the exclusion of such crimes from amnesty provisions in the context of conflict resolution processes and address such acts in all stages of the armed-conflict and post-conflict resolution process including through transitional justice mechanisms, while taking steps to ensure the full and effective participation of women in such processes;

(n) End impunity by ensuring accountability and punishing perpetrators of the most serious crimes against women and girls under national and international law, and stressing the need for the alleged perpetrators of those crimes to be held accountable under national justice or, where applicable, international justice;

(o) Take effective steps to ensure the equal participation of women and men in all spheres of political life, political reform and at all levels of decision-making, in all situations, and to contribute to the prevention and the elimination of discrimination and violence against women and girls;

(p) Underline commitments to strengthen national efforts, including with the support of international cooperation, aimed at addressing the rights and needs of women and girls affected by natural disasters, armed conflicts, other complex humanitarian emergencies, trafficking in persons and terrorism, within the context of actions geared to addressing and eliminating violence against women and girls and the realization of the internationally agreed goals and commitments related to gender equality and the empowerment of women, including the Millennium Development Goals. Also underline the need to take concerted actions in conformity with international law to remove the obstacles to the full realization of the rights of women and girls living under foreign occupation, so as to ensure the achievement of the above-mentioned goals and commitments;

(q) Ensure that the specific needs of women and girls are incorporated into the planning, delivery and monitoring of, and infrastructure for disaster risk

reduction programmes and protocols and humanitarian assistance to address natural disasters, including those induced by climate change such as extreme weather events and slow onset impacts, with their full participation, and that in disaster preparedness efforts and in post-disaster settings, the prevention and response to all forms of violence against women and girls, including sexual violence, are prioritized and adequately addressed;

(r) Address violence against women and girls resulting from transnational organized crime, including trafficking in persons and drug trafficking, and adopt specific policies to prevent and eradicate violence against women in crime prevention strategies;

(s) Strengthen bilateral, regional and international cooperation, by consolidating existing mechanisms and developing new initiatives consistent with the United Nations Convention on Transnational Organized Crime and its supplementary Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, and by implementing the United Nations Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons;

(t) Take appropriate measures to address the root factors, including external factors, that contribute to trafficking in women and girls. Prevent, combat and eliminate trafficking in women and girls by criminalizing all forms of trafficking in persons, in particular for the purpose of sexual and economic exploitation, as well as by strengthening existing civil and criminal legislation with a view to providing better protection of the rights of women and girls and by bringing to justice and punishing the offenders and intermediaries involved, including public officials, by protecting the rights of trafficked persons and preventing revictimization. Take appropriate measures to ensure that identified victims of trafficking in persons are not penalized for having been trafficked. Provide identified victims of trafficking appropriate protection and care, such as rehabilitation and reintegration in society, witness protection, job training, legal assistance, confidential health care, and repatriation with the informed consent of the trafficked person, regardless of their participation in any legal proceeding. Accelerate public awareness, education and training to discourage the demand that fosters all forms of exploitation;

(u) Strengthen international cooperation, including through the fulfilment of international official development assistance commitments, that support multisectoral policies, strategies, programmes and best practices, in accordance with national priorities aimed at achieving sustainable development and the realization of the empowerment of women, particularly towards ending violence against women and girls and promoting gender equality;

(v) Encourage private sector investment in programmes, campaigns and strategies to respond to, prevent and eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against women and girls, including sexual harassment at the workplace, and to empower victims and survivors of violence;

(w) Adopt and fund policy reforms and programmes, and support education, to sensitize, train and strengthen the capacity of public officials and professionals, including the judiciary, police and military, as well as those working in the areas of education, health, social welfare, justice, defence and immigration; hold public officials accountable for not complying with laws and regulations relating to violence against women and girls, in order to prevent and respond to such violence

in a gender-sensitive manner, end impunity, and avoid the abuse of power leading to violence against women and the revictimization of victims and survivors;

(x) Prevent, investigate and punish acts of violence against women and girls that are perpetrated by people in positions of authority, such as teachers, religious leaders, political leaders and law enforcement officials, in order to end impunity for these crimes;

(y) Create and enhance a supportive environment for increased consultation and participation among all relevant stakeholders in efforts to address violence against women and girls, especially organizations working at the community level to promote the empowerment of women and girls, as well as victims and survivors so they can become agents of change and their knowledge and experience can contribute to the elaboration of policies and programmes;

(z) Support and protect those who are committed to eliminating violence against women, including women human rights defenders in this regard, who face particular risks of violence;

(aa) Take appropriate measures to ensure the human rights of and protect women and girls deprived of their liberty and/or under State custody or State care from all forms of violence, in particular sexual abuse;

(bb) Adopt a life-cycle approach in efforts to end discrimination and violence against women and girls and ensure that specific issues affecting older women are given greater visibility and attention, are addressed through the fulfilment of obligations under relevant international conventions and agreements and included in national policies and programmes to prevent and eliminate violence against women;

B. Addressing structural and underlying causes and risk factors so as to prevent violence against women and girls

(cc) Accelerate efforts to prevent and eliminate all forms of discrimination against women and girls and ensure their equal enjoyment of all human rights and fundamental freedoms, including the right to education and to the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health; ensure that all children, particularly girls, have equal access to, and complete, free and compulsory primary education of good quality, and renew their efforts to improve and expand girls' education at all levels, including the secondary and higher levels, in all academic areas; and increase girls' ability to attend school and extracurricular activities by investing in public infrastructure projects and accessible quality public services and providing a safe environment;

(dd) Promote women's full participation in the formal economy, in particular in economic decision-making, and their equal access to full employment and decent work; empower women in the informal sector; and ensure that women and men enjoy equal treatment in the workplace, as well as equal pay for equal work or work of equal value, and equal access to power and decision-making, and promote sharing of paid and unpaid work;

(ee) Accelerate efforts to develop, review and strengthen policies, and allocate adequate financial and human resources, to address the structural and underlying causes of violence against women and girls, including gender

discrimination, inequality, unequal power relations between women and men, gender stereotypes, poverty as well as their lack of empowerment, in particular in the context of the economic and financial crisis; and accelerate efforts to eradicate poverty and persistent legal, social, and economic inequalities, including by strengthening women's and girls' economic participation, empowerment and inclusion, in order to decrease their risk of violence;

(ff) States are strongly urged to refrain from promulgating and applying any unilateral economic, financial or trade measures not in accordance with international law and the Charter of the United Nations that impede the full achievement of economic and social development, particularly in developing countries;

(gg) Take all appropriate legislative, administrative, social, educational and other measures to protect and promote the rights of women and girls with disabilities as they are more vulnerable to all forms of exploitation, violence and abuse, including in the workplace, educational institutions, the home, and other settings;

(hh) Undertake legislative, administrative, financial and other measures to give women full and equal access to economic resources, including the right to inheritance and to ownership of land and other property, credit, natural resources and appropriate technologies, inter alia, by means of international cooperation; prioritize and intensify initiatives towards the economic empowerment of women at the grass-roots level, including through entrepreneurship education and business incubators, as a way of uplifting their status, thereby reducing their vulnerability to violence;

(ii) Refrain from using social justifications for denying women their freedom of movement, the right to own property and the right to equal protection of the law;

(jj) Design and implement national policies that aim at transforming those social norms that condone violence against women and girls, and work to counteract attitudes by which women and girls are regarded as subordinate to men and boys or as having stereotyped roles that perpetuate practices involving violence or coercion;

(kk) Develop and implement educational programmes and teaching materials, including comprehensive evidence-based education for human sexuality, based on full and accurate information, for all adolescents and youth, in a manner consistent with their evolving capacities, with the appropriate direction and guidance from parents and legal guardians, with the involvement of children, adolescents, youth and communities, and in coordination with women's, youth and specialized non-governmental organizations, in order to modify the social and cultural patterns of conduct of men and women of all ages, to eliminate prejudices, and to promote and build informed decision-making, communication and risk reduction skills for the development of respectful relationships and based on gender equality and human rights, as well as teacher education and training programmes for both formal and non-formal education;

(ll) Carry out awareness-raising and education campaigns, in cooperation with civil society organizations, especially women's organizations, through different means of communication, targeting the general public, young people, men and boys, to address the structural and underlying causes of violence and abuse against women and girls; to overcome gender stereotypes and promote zero tolerance for such violence; to remove the stigma of being a victim and survivor of violence; and to

create an enabling environment where women and girls can easily report incidences of violence and make use of the services available and of protection and assistance programmes;

(mm) Mobilize communities and institutions to address and change attitudes, behaviours and practices that perpetuate and condone gender stereotypes and all forms of discrimination and violence against women and girls, by engaging with women's and youth organizations, national machineries for the advancement of women, national human rights institutions where they exist, schools, educational and media institutions and others directly working with women and girls, men and boys and with individuals at all levels of society and in all settings, religious and community leaders and elders, teachers and parents;

(nn) Promote and protect the human rights of all women including their right to have control over and decide freely and responsibly on matters related to their sexuality, including sexual and reproductive health, free of coercion, discrimination and violence; and adopt and accelerate the implementation of laws, policies and programmes which protect and enable the enjoyment of all human rights and fundamental freedoms, including their reproductive rights in accordance with the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development, the Beijing Platform for Action and their review outcomes;

(oo) Develop and implement gender-sensitive policies, strategies, programmes and measures which promote greater understanding and recognition that caregiving is a critical societal function and encourage the equal sharing of responsibilities and chores between men and women in caregiving, including for persons with disabilities, older persons and people living with HIV, as well as for child-rearing, parenting and domestic work; and also work to change attitudes that reinforce the division of labour based on gender, in order to promote shared family responsibility for work in the home and reduce the domestic work burden for women and girls;

(pp) Engage, educate, encourage and support men and boys to take responsibility for their behaviour, to ensure that men and adolescent boys take responsibility for their sexual and reproductive behaviour, and to refrain from all forms of discrimination and violence against women and girls; develop, invest in, and implement policies, strategies and programmes, including comprehensive education programmes to increase their understanding of the harmful effects of violence and how it undermines gender equality and human dignity, promote respectful relationships, provide positive role models for gender equality and to encourage men and boys to take an active part and become strategic partners and allies in the prevention and elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against women and girls;

(qq) Review, enact and strictly enforce laws and regulations concerning the minimum legal age of consent and the minimum age for marriage, raising the minimum age for marriage where necessary, and generate social support for the enforcement of these laws in order to end the practice of child, early and forced marriage;

(rr) Ensure the provision of viable alternatives and institutional support, including for girls who are already married and/or pregnant, especially educational opportunities with an emphasis on keeping girls in school through post-primary education and promoting the empowerment of girls through improving educational

quality and ensuring safe and hygienic conditions in schools, physical access to education, including by establishing safe residential facilities and childcare, and increasing financial incentives to women and their families where necessary;

(ss) Ensure the access of adolescents to services and programmes on preventing early pregnancy, sexually transmitted infections and HIV, ensuring personal safety, and preventing the use and abuse of alcohol and other harmful substances;

(tt) Develop policies and programmes, giving priority to formal and informal education programmes that support girls and enable them to acquire knowledge, develop self-esteem and take responsibility for their own lives, including access to a sustainable livelihood; and place special focus on programmes to educate women and men, especially parents and caregivers, on the importance of girls' physical and mental health and well-being, including the elimination of child, early and forced marriage, violence against women and girls, female genital mutilation, child sexual exploitation, including commercial sexual exploitation, sexual abuse, rape, incest and abduction, and the elimination of discrimination against girls such as in food allocation;

(uu) Develop and support existing policies and programmes targeting children and young people, especially women, who have experienced or witnessed domestic violence or sexual abuse, including protection for children in the justice system, so as to reduce the risk of their possible revictimization or perpetration of violence and restore their health; and implement such programmes in a gender-responsive manner with the meaningful participation of young people, civil society and women's and youth organizations, and educational and health institutions;

(vv) Recognize the important role the media can play in the elimination of gender stereotypes, including those perpetuated by commercial advertisements, and in promoting non-discriminatory and gender-sensitive reporting, including by preserving the confidentiality of the identity of victims and survivors where appropriate; and, to the extent consistent with freedom of expression, encourage the media to improve public awareness on violence against women and girls, to train those who work in the media, and to develop and strengthen self-regulatory mechanisms to promote balanced and non-stereotypical portrayals of women with a view to eliminating discrimination against and the exploitation of women and girls and refraining from presenting them as inferior beings and exploiting them as sexual objects and commodities and instead present women and girls as creative human beings, key actors and contributors to and beneficiaries of the process of development;

(ww) Support the development and use of information and communication technologies and social media as a resource for the empowerment of women and girls, including access to information on the prevention of and response to violence against women and girls; and develop mechanisms to combat the use of information and communication technologies and social media to perpetrate violence against women and girls, including the criminal misuse of information and communication technologies for sexual harassment, sexual exploitation, child pornography and trafficking in women and girls, and emerging forms of violence, such as cyberstalking, cyberbullying and privacy violations that compromise women's and girls' safety;

(xx) Improve the safety of girls at and on the way to and from school, including by establishing a safe and violence free environment by improving infrastructure such as transportation, providing separate and adequate sanitation facilities, improved lighting, playgrounds and safe environments; adopting national policies to prohibit, prevent and address violence against children, especially girls, including sexual harassment and bullying and other forms of violence, through measures such as conducting violence prevention activities in schools and communities, and establishing and enforcing penalties for violence against girls;

(yy) Take measures to ensure that all workplaces are free from discrimination and exploitation, violence, and sexual harassment and bullying, and that they address discrimination and violence against women and girls, as appropriate, through measures such as regulatory and oversight frameworks and reforms, collective agreements, codes of conduct, including appropriate disciplinary measures, protocols and procedures, referral of cases of violence to health services for treatment and police for investigation; as well as through awareness-raising and capacity-building, in collaboration with employers, unions and workers, including workplace services and flexibility for victims and survivors;

(zz) Increase measures to protect women and girls from violence and harassment, including sexual harassment and bullying, in both public and private spaces, to address security and safety, through awareness-raising, involvement of local communities, crime prevention laws, policies, programmes such as the "Safe Cities for Women and Children" initiative, improved urban planning, infrastructures, public transport and street lighting, and also through social and interactive media;

(aaa) Condemn and take action to prevent violence against women and girls in health-care settings, including sexual harassment, humiliation and forced medical procedures, or those conducted without informed consent, and which may be irreversible, such as forced hysterectomy, forced caesarean section, forced sterilization, forced abortion, and forced use of contraceptives, especially for particularly vulnerable and disadvantaged women and girls, such as those living with HIV, women and girls with disabilities, indigenous and Afro-descendent women and girls, pregnant adolescents and young mothers, older women, and women and girls from national or ethnic minorities;

(bbb) Further adopt and implement measures to ensure social and legal inclusion and protection of women migrants, including women migrant workers in origin, transit and destination countries, and promote and protect the full realization of their human rights, and their protection against violence and exploitation; implement gender-sensitive policies and programmes for women migrant workers and provide safe and legal channels that recognize their skills and education, provide fair labour conditions, and as appropriate facilitate their productive employment and decent work as well as integration into the labour force;

(ccc) Also take measures to ensure the protection of self-employed workers in cross-border work and women seasonal workers from violence and discrimination;

C. Strengthening multisectoral services, programmes and responses to violence against women and girls

(ddd) Establish comprehensive, coordinated, interdisciplinary, accessible and sustained multisectoral services, programmes and responses at all levels, and with the support of all available technologies, for all victims and survivors of all forms of violence against women and girls based on their needs, that are adequately resourced and include effective and coordinated action by, as appropriate, police and the justice sector, legal aid services, health-care services, including sexual and reproductive health, and medical, psychological and other counselling services, including specialist services as appropriate, State and independent women's shelters and counselling centres, 24-hour hotlines, social aid services, one stop crisis centres, immigration services, child services, public housing services to provide low threshold, easy to reach and safe assistance for women and children, as well as assistance, protection and support through access to long-term accommodation, educational, employment and economic opportunities, and take steps to ensure the safety and security of health-care workers and service providers that assist and support victims and survivors of violence, and in cases of girl child victims, such services and responses must take into account the best interests of the child;

(eee) Further take measures to coordinate services through the establishment of processes for referral between services of victims and survivors while ensuring their confidentiality and safety, establish national benchmarks and timelines, and monitor their progress and implementation; as well as ensure access to coordinated multisectoral services, programmes and responses for all women and girls at risk of or subjected to violence;

(fff) Ensure the availability and accessibility for victims and survivors and their children to services, programmes and opportunities, for their full recovery and reintegration into society, as well as full access to justice, including those subjected to domestic violence and other forms of violence, by putting in place measures, and where these exist, expanding such measures; and ensure the provision of adequate and timely information on available support services and legal measures, when possible in a language that they understand and in which they can communicate;

(ggg) Create, develop and implement a set of policies, and support the establishment of rehabilitative services, to encourage and bring changes in the attitudes and behaviours of perpetrators of violence against women and girls, and to reduce the likelihood of reoffending, including in cases of domestic violence, rape and harassment, as well as monitor and assess their impact and effect;

(hhh) Improve access to timely, affordable and quality health systems for women and girls, including through gender-sensitive national strategies and public-health policies and programmes that are comprehensive, affordable and better targeted to addressing their needs and that encourage women's active participation in their design and implementation; and also enhance women's access to affordable, safe, effective and good-quality treatment and medicines, with a special emphasis on the poor, vulnerable and marginalized segments of the population;

(iii) Address all health consequences, including the physical, mental and sexual and reproductive health consequences, of violence against women and girls by providing accessible health-care services that are responsive to trauma and include affordable, safe, effective and good-quality medicines, first line support,

treatment of injuries and psychosocial and mental health support, emergency contraception, safe abortion where such services are permitted by national law, post-exposure prophylaxis for HIV infection, diagnosis and treatment for sexually transmitted infections, training for medical professionals to effectively identify and treat women subjected to violence, as well as forensic examinations by appropriately trained professionals;

(jjj) Accelerate efforts to address the intersection of HIV and AIDS and violence against all women and girls, in particular the common risk factors, including through strategies to address domestic and sexual violence, and to strengthen coordination and integration of policies, programmes and services to address the intersection between HIV and violence against women and girls, and ensure that responses to HIV and AIDS are leveraged to prevent violence against them, while meeting their specific needs for sexual and reproductive health-care services, as well as HIV and AIDS diagnosis, affordable and accessible treatment and prevention, including procurement and supply of safe and effective prevention commodities, including male and female condoms;

(kkk) Eliminate discrimination and violence against women and girls living with HIV as well as the caregivers of persons living with HIV and take into account their vulnerability to stigma, discrimination, poverty and marginalization from their families and communities when implementing programmes and measures which encourage the equal sharing of caring responsibilities;

(lll) Expand the availability of health-care services, and in particular, strengthen maternal and reproductive health centres, as key entry points that provide support, referrals to services and protection to families, women and girls at risk of violence, especially sexual violence, and which provide support to adolescents in order to avoid early and unintended pregnancies and sexually transmitted infections, through education, information and access to sexual and reproductive health-care services;

D. Improving the evidence base

(mmm) Carry out continued multidisciplinary research and analysis on the structural and underlying causes of, cost and risk factors for violence against women and girls and its types and prevalence, in order to inform the development and revision of laws and their implementation, policies and strategies, and make such information public to support awareness-raising efforts;

(nnn) Collect, collate, analyse and disseminate reliable, comparable and anonymized data and statistics on a regular basis, disaggregated by sex and age, at the national and local levels on different forms of discrimination and violence against women and girls, its causes and consequences, including the health costs and economic costs to society of such discrimination and violence, and also consider all other relevant factors, such as accessibility, to inform the formulation, monitoring and evaluation of laws, policies and programmes;

(ooo) Improve the collection, harmonization and use of administrative data, including, where appropriate, from the police, health sector and the judiciary, on incidents of violence against women and girls, including data on the relationship between the perpetrator and victim and geographic location, ensuring that

confidentiality, ethical and safety considerations are taken into account in the process of data collection, and improving the effectiveness of the services and programmes provided and protecting the safety and security of the victim;

(ppp) Develop national monitoring and evaluation mechanisms to assess policies and programmes, including preventive and response strategies to address violence against women and girls in both public and private spheres;

(qqq) Promote the sharing of best practices and experiences, as well as feasible, practical and successful policy and programme interventions; as well as promote the application of these successful interventions and experiences in other settings.

35. The Commission emphasizes that ending violence against women and girls is imperative, including for the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, and must be a priority for the eradication of poverty, the achievement of inclusive sustainable development, peace and security, human rights, health, gender equality and empowerment of women, sustainable and inclusive economic growth and social cohesion, and vice versa. The Commission strongly recommends that the realization of gender equality and empowerment of women be considered as a priority in the elaboration of the post-2015 development agenda.