

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Topic: Economic Empowerment of Women

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United States of America, United Arab Emirates, Republic of Kazakhstan, Commonwealth of Australia, Democratic People's Republic of North Korea, Republic of Togo, People's Republic of China, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Republic of Korea, Republic of Peru, Republic of Ghana

The UN Women, reminding all nations of the third goal of the Millennium Development Goals, recognizes the need of the elimination of gender disparity in education, acknowledges the mission of "Girl Up," that helps adolescent girls in developing countries all over the world reach their potential by educating them fundamentally and teaching them about leadership, health, and safety,

<u>Noting</u> with approval that the third Millennium Development Goal has raised awareness of this issue to countries along with the NGO "Girl Up,"

<u>Taking</u> note that the Millennium Development Goals have inspired and urged countries to take action upon these issues,

Aware of the satisfactory efforts of many relevant UN bodies and non-governmental organizations,

1. Emphasizes the need for all levels of education for women and children in all societies, and requires children under the age of 18 to have at least two years of formal education;

2. Requests that countries adopt a minimum of forty percent of paid female employees in their workforce, including government employment, by 2025;

3. Urges countries to eliminate gender discrimination when women seek employment and while women are employed;

4. Encourages countries to enforce a strict labor code including an eight hour work day, six days a week, extra pay for extra hours, the opportunity to have Sundays or Saturdays and holidays off work, social security, protection from any kind of violence, five paid sick days a year, a five month paid maternity leave, and a guarantee that the woman's job position will still be available afterwards;

5. Proposes a partnership with the already established and funded NGO "Girl Up" to expand the organization to assist older women as well as adolescents and young girls, educate women with leadership skills and to economically empower them; and

6. Calls upon the nations of the world to assist countries in creating safe house refuges for troubled women to become educated on the topics of life skills, business skills, money management, independence, along with other necessary topics; the safe house refuge would be available to women in three month intervals, one year after refugees left, a percentage of their earnings or a small percentage of government taxes would be annually taken out and used towards the education of future generations.