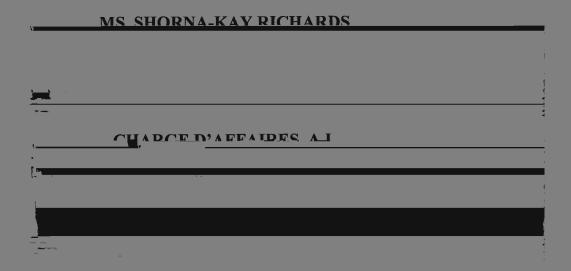


## PERMANENT MISSION OF JAMAICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS

## STATEMENT BY



ON

MEETING THE CHALLENGE
ENDING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

TO THE
57<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE
COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Madam Chair, distinguished delegates,

Jamaica has made significant social and economic strides through progressive legislation which has resulted in the upward mobility and empowerment of our women. However, like the rest of the world, an area of growing concern is domestic violence against women. With the election of the nation's first female Prime Minister who assumed office in January 2012, the Government of Jamaica renewed its commitment and



\_\_ Madam Chair,

We must move beyond plans, resolutions and agreements to action. Jamaica therefore is working determinedly on Public Education, Institutional Strengthening, Shelter Services, and promotion of Sustainable Livelihoods.

