

Madam Chairperson,

My delegation congratulates the Bureau on the successful organization of the 57^{th}

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States in the same category with good governance, transparency, observance of the rule of law, accountability, and other mandatory requirements for States.

10. We believe that States should primarily be responsible for the prevention of violence against women and girls. As such legislation towards ending all practices that are classified as violence against women in the Beijing Platform of Action, CEDAW, the Secretary-General's reports, the reports of the experts group meeting in Bangkok, and other international instruments. A commitment should be entered into by all States in this regard, and an international action on ending violence against women and girls should be initiated immediately.

violence and challenge the social prejudices and institutional structures in order to protect its women, not just from danger, but also from ridicule, fear and isolation.

14. To enable the Government receive, document and respond to reported cases of violence against women, we have established Human Rights and Gender Desks including Family Support Units in some Police Area Commands and Divisional Police Stations across the country. The Objective 4 of the National Gender Policy (2006) incorporates the principles of CEDAW and other global and regional frameworks to support gender equality and women empowerment in the country's laws, legislative processes, judicial and administrative systems.

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abilities of women for positive action and attainment of a balanced partnership of both sexes.

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20. I would like to express my Government's appreciation and commendation to the Under Secretary-