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Thank you Chair for giving me the opportunity to take the floor and highlight the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development, which was adopted 10 years ago, in 2013, by all Latin American and

Finally, let me mention that increased access to education by girls and young women in Latin America and the Caribbean is one of the region's great advances in recent decades. In fact, women's rates of completion of secondary and higher education are higher than men's.

However, advances in women's access to education have not translated into equal conditions in the labour market, where women have lower wages and lower participation rates than men's, and are especially underrepresented in the higher-productivity and most dynamic sectors of the economy, such as those related to the areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Thank you very much.