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Mr. Chairperson,

It is indeed a great honour to address the 52<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Commission of the Status

- Mobilizing civil society, women organizations and the private sector to participate in regional peace and post conflict recovery processes.

- Promoting regional cooperation and collaboration to influence policies and programmes and systems that ensure the contribution of women to economic development and impact on poverty reduction.

From 2004 to date, the ECOWAS Gender development Centre has implemented numerous programmes in line with its priority areas of intervention in all the fifteen member countries.

Mr. Chairperson,

On a final note, I wish to recognize the presence of the Ministers responsible for Women's Affairs from the fifteen ECOWAS member states who are the ECOWAS Gender Development Centre's crucial partners and with whom we work very closely.

Their presence is a testimony of the importance the Economic Community of West

for the whole world in general.

I thank you for your attention.