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Mr Chairman,

EU.

The Netherlands welcomes the discussion about 'Financing for Gender Equality and the

- Finally, we should particularly focus on violence against women. We welcome the launch of the UN Secretary General's worldwide campaign on violence against women and strongly encourage the Member States to take action and the UN system to ensure a coordinated response. More funds are needed to reach concrete results. In this regard, the Netherlands recently has approved a contribution of 4 million EURO to the UN Trust Fund to End Violence against Women. This contribution has been

made available in the understanding that the fund shall be open for proposals from

UN ~~countries~~ ~~Partners~~ ~~from~~ ~~1-1-25~~ ~~With~~ ~~EURO~~ ~~from~~