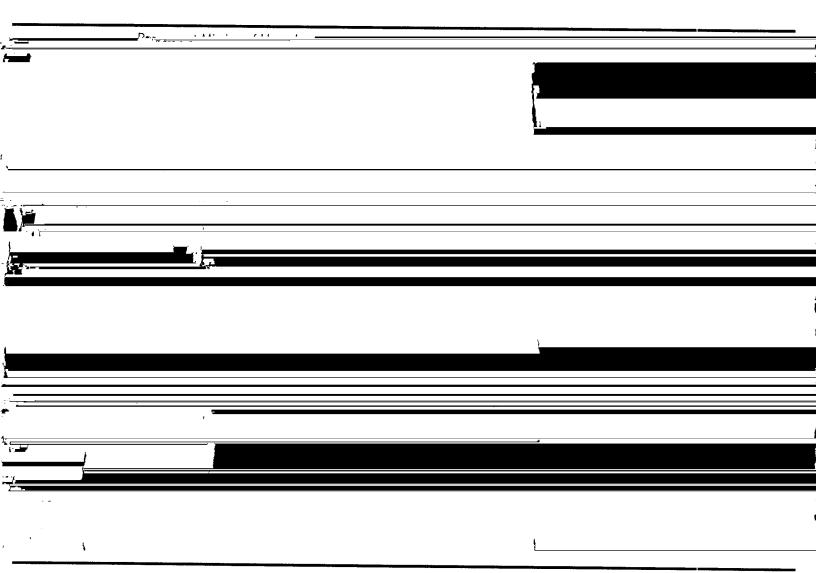


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STATEMENT BY

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Chairperson, Excellencies Distinguished delegates Ladies and Gentlemen

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previous speakers to congratulate you and the members of the Bureau, for your leadership in guiding the work of the Commission, which is geared towards the attainment of the goals of gender equality and women's empowerment. My delegation is optimistic that the outcomes of the 52nd Session of the Commission will provide further impetus in addressing the critical concerns of women at all levels, across different development themes.

Chairperson,

My delegation aligns itself with the statement made by the Group of 77 and China.

Chairperson,

My Government would like to congratulate the Secretary General for his exemplary leadership in the fight to eliminate violence against women. The launch of the campaign at the opening of this session is a clear testimony of the commitment of the UN system to

