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**Statement by H.E. Ms. Ismat Jahan
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the Commission on the Status of Women on**

twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000:

gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century'

It is encouraging to note in the Secretary-General's report the innovative initiatives taken by different countries to promote equal sharing of responsibilities between men and women. As a result, we have seen an increase in men's involvement in care work, particularly in parenting. These best practices have to be widely disseminated.