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Mr./Ms. Chair,

It is an honor to address the 53rd Commission on the Status of women. During the session, the Presidency of the EU has reported on EU activities in the areas covered by the discussions and I would like to complement this information

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European Commission and are now being discussed by the Council of the EU and the

In the context of an ongoing progress review, we are currently exploring with EU stakeholders how we can sustain and strengthen the EU's collective role in support of country responses to HIV/AIDS and translate policies into concrete country action and

We are determined to make substantive progress in time for 2010, when we will celebrate the 10th anniversary of resolution 1325. Further to the call of over forty women international leaders - who joined Commissioner Ferrero-Waldner in Brussels in March 2008 to discuss "Women: Stabilizing an Insecure World" - the UN Secretary-