





expectations for the upcoming UN Secretary-General's detailed report on "Composite Entity" with well-substantiated suggestions. We look forward to a new UN entity to be led by the Under-Secretary-General, which will play a strong role with authority in integrating gender perspectives into all UN agendas, as well as increasing the effectiveness of gender-related policy implementation in the UN system in a more comprehensive and strategic way. The new entity should be adequately equipped with human as well as financial resources.

Mr. Chairman,

We must also exert every effort to address emerging challenges such as the migrant women workforce, female refugees, and other groups of women that remain under the poverty line. Violence against women is another pressing global issue that must be tackled globally. In this vein, my delegation highly values the strong leadership and initiative of the Secretary General in launching the Global Campaign to end violence against women this February. We look forward to a comprehensive action plan to implement the campaign. My delegation also fully supports the activities of the Trust Fund in Support of Actions to Eliminate Violence

Against Women and UN Action Against Sexual Violence in Conflict, respectively. The Republic of Korea welcomes the adoption of Security Council landmark resolution 1820 which calls for the immediate and complete halt of sexual violence in conflict zones. We also recognize the progress of the "Say No to Violence Campaign" conducted by UNIFEM and encourage all Member States and civil society to join the "Say No" campaign.

In the course of open debate in the Security Council and the General Assembly regarding sexual violence

Mr. Chairman,

In accordance with the Agreed Conclusion on Financing for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women at the Fifty-second Session of the Commission on the Status of Women in 2008, the Government of the Republic of Korea has taken prompt actions to formulate a gender-sensitive budget policy in 2010 at the national level. At the international level, my government has gradually increased financial contributions to the UNIFEM and other relevant Funds fighting violence against women.

In addition to the full consideration given to gender perspective in domestic laws, institutions and practices, the Republic of Korea has been strongly committed to mainstream gender equality through redressing an imbalance in household responsibilities that women and men share. A...