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Subject: Fourth Human Rights Council intersessional meeting for dialogue and cooperation on Human Rights and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (18 January 2022)

Dear Colleagues,

Pursuant to the Human Rights Council resolution 43/19 adopted on 22 June 2020, the fourth Human Rights Council intersessional meeting for dialogue and cooperation on Human Rights and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development will be held virtually on Tuesday, 18 January 2022 at 10:00-12:00 CET. The theme for the fourth intersessional meeting is “Investing in sustainable recovery, advancing gender equality and strengthening partnerships – Towards a renewed social contract anchored in human rights”, with a focus on SDG 5 ‘Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls’, SDG 17 ‘Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development’, and the overarching promise of the 2030 Agenda to leave no one behind and to reach those furthest behind first.

The meeting aims to review impactful action and initiatives towards human rights-based and gender-transformative investments, partnerships and policy making for inclusive recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, and highlight good practices to increase the fiscal space for human rights-based SDG implementation strategies that produce systemic change and curb discrimination and gender inequalities. More information, including the Concept Note, is available here: <https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/Pages/IntersessionalMeeting2030Agenda4th.aspx>. You may follow the discussion live at <http://webtv.un.org>.

The purpose of this letter is to invite your organisation to participate in the meeting. NHRIs with “A” status accreditation, GANHRI and regional coordinating bodies of NHRIs speaking on behalf of its “A” status members can participate through a pre-recorded video message. Speaking time for participants taking the floor will be two minutes. Due to time constraints, not all speakers can be accommodated. You are therefore invited to submit written statements and other submissions on human rights-based and gender-transformative implementation of the 2030 Agenda in the context of COVID-19 recovery to the following email address: ohchr-sdgs@un.org, no later than 25 January 2022. We look forward to your organisation's engagement in the intersessional meeting.

Yours sincerely,

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