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Referring to Draft Decision (rev.3)

Chapeau

to add an additional sub chapeau after (v):

Reaffirmation that eradicating inequality in all its forms and dimensions, particularly gender inequality, is one of the greatest global challenges and indispensable requirement for sustainable development

therefore, change in (iii):

... is one of the greatest global challenges ...

to add to (i):

Reaffirmation of the Istanbul Convention and the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action

to add to (ii):

Recalling that Security Council, UN and Member States pledged support for women's full, equal, meaningful and safe participation in peace and security

Emphasizing that, without principled and decisive action to protect women's rights and ensure their full, equal and meaningful participation in all aspects of peace and security, we not only risk entrenchment of patriarchal norms, but jeopardize any chance of sustainable peace

Chapter I. Sustainable development and financing for development

to add to (vi)

Arranging education for girls and support girls' access to education

to add to (viii)

Setting up more gender-balanced governing bodies to integrate gender sensitive climate change measures into national policies, strategies and planning, as per SDG 13.2 and the Paris Agreement

Actively taking into account human rights, gender equality and empowerment of women and girls in defining and implementing national climate action plans, including gender-responsive measures that are more effective and respectful of human rights

Developing policies and frameworks to address climate change that recognize its gendered impacts and integrating gender equality into all approaches to mitigate the effects of climate change

Chapter II. International peace and security

to add to (xii)

Signing, ratifying and implementing UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on women, peace and security (2000) and develop, adopt and regularly refresh national action plans to progress the "Women, Peace and Security" agenda as stated in Resolution 2467 (2019)

Ensuring at all stages, human rights, safety and dignity of refugees and migrants

Providing protection from violence, discrimination, harassment, trafficking, and other forms of exploitation and abuse

Ensuring that gender-based violence-specific services and sex-segregated shelters are safe and available on all transit sites and in all accommodation centers

Ensuring sufficient access to medical and psychological help in order to improve the recovery from traumatic experience

Defining threats of gender-based persecution as sufficient grounds for obtaining a rights to asylum

Defining sexual violence committed outside countries of origin and throughout the journey as a persecution and sufficient grounds for international protection. Those acts of violence should not be considered as simple acts of violence

Preventing and prosecuting sexual violence committed by armed forces and security forces

Providing and funding timely assistance to survivors of sexual violence as called for in UN Resolution 2106 (2013), including a survivor-centered and trauma-sensitive approach.

Providing psychological support systems for all staff members, including police and involved tribunals

Including local women's groups in the peacebuilding process and taking a gender perspective when setting a new balanced power structure for the post-conflict society

Prosecuting perpetrators regardless of their position and granting protection of victims

Supporting prosecution of crimes against humanity as stated in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (1998) in countries other than the place of the crime committed if possible

Granting reparations as a sign of recognition and compensation for the harms suffered

Chapter IV. Youth and future generations

to add to (xv)

Ensuring women and girls' full and equal participation and decision-making in public life by

Recognizing and elevating the voices of adolescent girls through formal and informal educational opportunities and community initiatives

Providing educational and leadership opportunities to women and girls to ensure that there is equal access to positions of power and influence

Ensuring women and girls' participation in decision-making at all levels, with institutionalized mechanisms to guarantee their representation