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ANTI-TRAFFICKING ADVOCATES COLLECTIVE STATEMENT TO GENERATION EQUALITY

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We, the undersigned global anti-trafficking advocates and survivor-advocates, want to express our immense support of the Generation Equality (GE) Process and our solidarity with your bold efforts and agenda towards ending global gender inequality. Within the context of this solidarity, we are concerned that so far in this multi stakeholder and co-creation process the voices of anti-trafficking advocates, survivors, and survivor-advocates of Human Trafficking and Modern Day Slavery (MDS) have not been sufficiently involved and engaged. We represent women and girls from across the world who have survived these harrowing experiences and fear that excluding us and them from this process has and will continue to perpetuate obstacles towards your ultimate mandate of global gender equality.

We reviewed the outcomes of the GE Process to date and are alarmed by the overwhelming absence of anti-trafficking victims, survivors, and allied stakeholders. Human Trafficking pervades each of the six Action Coalition themes, including: (1) gender-based violence (GBV), (2) economic justice and rights, (3) bodily autonomy and sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), (4) feminist action for climate change, (5) technology and innovation for gender equality, and (6) feminist movements and leadership. Bolstered by our collective training, knowledge, and grounded experience, the undersigned are deeply concerned that the success of the GE Process will be limited by the absence of women and girl survivor perspectives. For this reason, GE stakeholders must collectively ensure that while our relation to, efforts towards, and circumstances regarding combatting trafficking may be diverse, a common recognition of the reality that gender issues underpin Human Trafficking and MDS is vital. We truly appreciate your review of this statement with an eye towards how we can collectively ensure no voices are left behind.

Human trafficking is a form of Modern Day Slavery. It is globally rated as the second most lucrative trade after the arms trade, with victims being bought and sold for profit. For this important reason, Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) number 8.7, 5.2, 16.2 are centered around trafficking. According to the UNODC, 71% of victims of human trafficking are women and girls, demonstrating that GBV and human trafficking are inextricably connected. However, human trafficking transcends the GBV sphere alone, with reverberating causes and effects associated with the other five Action Coalition areas. Pervasive gender inequity in societies result in women and girls being disproportionately targeted by human traffickers, whether through sex trafficking, child sexual abuse, forced or involuntary domestic labor and servitude, early and forced marriages, labor trafficking, or other occurring and co-occurring forms of violence and exploitation.



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The numbers of trafficked women and girls, as well as new cases and forms of trafficking and modern day slavery, increase every day. It is therefore essential that in all forums where possible related to the Generation Equality Process that women and girls vulnerable to and affected by trafficking be given a place at the table.

Women and girls are agents of global change around the world. However, the discrimination, violence, and exploitation they face perpetuate oppression and prevent women and girls from achieving their full potential, resulting in economic, political, social, and psycho-social vulnerabilities that contribute to the disproportionate number of women and girls who are trafficked daily. A lack of female access to legal justice, dearth of appropriate laws and/or failure to implement effective laws compound these vulnerabilities. According to the UNODC, although many countries criminalize human trafficking, “the rate of convictions remains far too low, and victims are not always receiving the protection and services countries are obliged to provide.” It is therefore critical that at the same time we recognize the agency of women and girls, we also acknowledge that millions of female victims are entangled in diverse, intersecting webs of discrimination and exploitation. All of us who are interested in elevating the status and rights of girls and women must collaborate at local, regional and global levels to curb the ever-flowing tide of human trafficking.

Exclusion breeds further exclusion and perpetuates exploitation, preventing all women and girls from achieving the equality so courageously imagined and promoted by the Generation Equality Process. The GE Process provides an invaluable forum, through which to work together to ensure that the work during the next 5 years is as inclusive, comprehensive and has impact that resounds across and beyond generations. We are confident that you believe in supporting women and girls globally by removing barriers to their full and authentic participation in all aspects of society, and appreciate your consideration of our perspectives. We believe that GE Process has the tools, capacity, and global support to ensure elevating the voices of modern slaves, alongside corresponding and complementary causes present in the process. It is critical that the girls and women who have suffered these injustices have the opportunity to represent themselves alongside other allied stakeholders. Therefore, we, the undersigned, commit to being present, engaged and supportive in order to guarantee we all succeed and reach the highest levels of impact and achievement together. We look forward to the possibility of pursuing this goal with you through increased integration of anti-trafficking in the Generation Equality Process, including but not limited to the six Action Coalitions.

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