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The Secretary-General has received the following statement, which is being circulated in accordance with paragraphs 36 and 37 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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Statement

The Tabernacle Worship and Prayer Ministries supports the 62nd session of the Commission on the Status of Women; and the priority theme, Challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls'; and its review theme, Participation in and access of women to the media, and information and communications technologies and their impact on and use as an instrument for the advancement and empowerment of women (agreed conclusions of the forty-seventh session).

Tabernacle Worship and Prayer Ministries affirm that Challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls is most necessary to ensure overall inclusive and integration of all women in all works of life to gender equality concerns, empowerment of all women to the development agenda while providing support to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The Sustainable Development Goals cannot be achieved without comprehensive inclusion of world women in all facets of life to get involve in contribution to ensure action oriented outcome on the Development Agenda by 2030. Our organization is of the view that countries must take adequate action steps to ensure that women in the country from rural communities, women from various religion, community and uneducated women striving in their strength are provided with global knowledge on decision about women through empowerment and education.

Women are crucial part in the Development Agenda and have significant roles to play in achieving global peace and development. Women are the flag-bearers of development from their families to the communities. As a result, women in various facets of life must be brought to knowledge about their global world through empowerment.

The Tabernacle Worship and Prayer Ministries, a Christian non-partisan, non-profit organization, has in the past two years coordinated a coalition of women in world religion to the understanding of the work of the UN Women, the United Nations, the Sustainable Development Goals and today has more than 700 members from the world religion across the globe. Tabernacle Worship and Prayer Ministries has provided education and empowerment to more than 2500 widows in grassroots communities from members of the various world religions.

Today a majority of these women now have grounding knowledge about the origin and history of Commission on Status of Women, The Beijing Conference and Sustainable Development Goal-5 and 16 and their Targets. Tabernacle Worship and Prayer Ministries is further going to launch the "1000 WOMEN IN Religion Global Campaign" during the CSW62 Session. The main objective is to provide guidance, establish a global network of women that can act as grassroots ambassadors and through education and community empowerment guide women in world religion on global peace and the SDG-5 and targets.

Empowerment of women for a sustainable world requires rural awareness about the global world, addressing the rural women in ardent situation, thereby linking communal barriers to gender equality to including the voices of these women who are empowered to be a voice to the polices that affects them as women in rural communities and women as a whole.

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Tabernacle Worship and Prayer Ministries acknowledges the various initiative and actions that the Commission on Status of Women and the UN-Women have done to this day on the overall concerns on all women and girls and notes that it is pertinent to reaffirm that more committed efforts are necessary to ensure inclusive priority of women in rural communities through world religion. Majority of these women in World religion are still living in ardent poverty, inability to help themselves through education and knowledge, has little or no knowledge about the work of the United Nations, the Commission on Status of Women, the Sustainable Development Goal-5 and Targets and the UN-Women for world women.

Time is now that practical step-up action must be put in place to bring up women in world religion in rural communities and begin to empower them with necessary skills to understand the work of the global community on women. Let us understand that women in world religion are full of potentials and purposeful, a stronger pillar to rural-builder and a tougher pillar for rural peace. Time is now to call for wider participation of all women in all facets to strengthen their developmental —will to the global agenda on peace and nations building.

Tabernacle Worship and Prayers Ministries is a non-governmental organization, Not-profit making, non-partisan committed to educating about the United Nations through the Pulpit and providing empowerment support to widows in rural communities, Tabernacle Worship and Prayer Ministries holds a United Nations Special ECOSOC Consultative Status.

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