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**Promotion and protection of all human rights, civil,
political, economic, social and cultural rights,
including the right to development**

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The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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Promotion of development and protection of all human rights in vulnerable situations

According to the latest statistic, research and publication made by Fundación Abba Colombia showing its 5 focus areas in response of the promotion and protection of all human rights, civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights, including the right to development during the covid19 pandemic¹:

- Children and adolescent's protection, the objective is to channel and coordinate efforts in order to achieve a comprehensive development of children and adolescents, from physical, moral and ethical aspects. This objective comprises two main aspects: contributing to the improvement of children's and adolescent's health through health and prevention campaigns and organizing training courses or seminars to contribute to the wellbeing of families so that they learn to protect and implement children and adolescents' rights by promoting the defence of all children and adolescent.
- Women empowerment, to cooperate in empowering women is giving a boost to flourishing economies, productivity and growth. To achieve this objective, strategies are established such as, training in professional development of women, by the integration of equal opportunities to establish progressive practices in favour of women. Furthermore, women are guided in new ventures ideas, markets and businesses, valuing all their human rights, promoting peace, security and sustainable development.
- Education, to fulfil the promotion of moral and cultural development for people and giving quality education focus on the sustainable development goals, the project Centre for Leadership and Business Development 'CLIDE' is establish, this aim to promote the same learning opportunities for all people, equipping them in areas such as leadership, entrepreneurship, business, government, diplomacy among others, teaching them the ability of being true leaders for society.
- Self-sustainable projects, finding initiatives focus on the achievement of an economic prosperity, environmental integrity and social equity in Colombia, improving projects with sustainable economic, social and environmental focus, it is the main objective of this focus area. By teaching the execution of all the necessary stages for a sustainable development business idea, improving social equity in every company, keeping the continuity of the project, highlighting the importance of responsible and efficient management of resources and processes reaching lasting ventures.
- Emergencies, the objective is the protection of human life against out-of-control situations that arise due to the impact of a disaster in a community affecting social and economic structures. The purpose is to provide an effective care to people affected in any type of emergency by human activity or natural phenomena.

All of the above had been covered by Fundación Abba Colombia, especially during the pandemic, highlighting the humanitarian response to Venezuelan migrants in Colombia, provision of medical aid and access to medicine to vulnerable communities as well as mental and psychological support to families affected by winter wave during the pandemic and further more.

Considering the United Nations Human Rights Council efforts to promote the protection of human rights during covid19, we want to express the urgent necessity to protect and defend human life especially during vulnerable situations.

Fundación Abba Colombia states the following in order to achieve this important remark: in article No. 3 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights adopted in Paris on 10 December 1948 (General Assembly resolution 217 A) - Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of person.

¹ <https://abbacol.org/en/projects/>.

Therefore, according to the authority and role of the Human Rights Council, we make a call for this to be a priority especially in these crucial times.
