

Forum: UN Women
Topic: Prevent the violence against girls
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Guided by Article 1 of the Charter of the United Nations, which establishes that the fundamental mission of the Organization is to promote respect for human rights and equal rights for all without distinction as to race, sex, language, or religion,

Recalling Resolution 61/146 (2006) of the General Assembly of the United Nations concerning the rights of the child and violence against women, as well as the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women adopted in 1979,

Recalling also the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women of 1993, which affirms that violence against women and girls constitutes a violation of human rights,

Aware that, according to the United Nations, one in three women worldwide experiences physical or sexual violence during her lifetime, and that minor girls are particularly vulnerable to such acts, which result in serious and long-lasting physical, psychological, and social consequences, sometimes leading to death,

Recognizing the initiatives undertaken by UN Women, notably through the United Nations Trust Fund to End Violence against Women, which has supported since 1996 prevention programs, access to care, and the strengthening of legal frameworks in numerous States,

1. *Notes with concern* that physical, sexual, and psychological violence against minor girls remains widespread and significantly underreported, particularly in developing countries and rural areas;

2. *Encourages* Member States, in cooperation with UN Women, to intensify preventive measures against violence targeting girls, in particular by:
 - a) implementing awareness-raising campaigns aimed at children and adolescents, especially within educational institutions;

 - b) promoting gender equality and respect for girls' rights from an early age through

education and cultural initiatives;

3. *Invites* Member States to strengthen access for girls who are victims of violence to appropriate and accessible support services, notably by:

a) establishing safe and confidential shelters and reception facilities adapted to minors;

b) improving access to affordable or free healthcare and psychological support services;

4. *Supports* the strengthening of the role of healthcare systems and national institutions in preventing and combating violence against minor girls, in coordination with relevant stakeholders.