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Addendum

Corrigendum

Add the following paragraphs at the end of the text

135 (d) **Assess the extent to which poverty eradication programmes have a positive impact on the empowerment of women living in poverty in terms of access to training and education, employment, inheritance skills and social services, as well as access to and control over land, income and credit, and define concrete changes in such programmes in the light of the above assessment;**

135 (e) *Establish social development funds to minimize the negative effects of structural adjustment programmes and trade liberalization on women and the disproportionate burden borne by poor women;*

Recognizing that gender equality is a prerequisite for poverty eradication, elaborate and implement, in consultation with civil society, gender-sensitive poverty reduction strategies addressing social, structural and macroeconomic issues in a coherent and mutually reinforcing manner in order to mitigate possible adverse effects of structural adjustment programmes and trade liberalization policies [as well as to reduce the social costs of the transition process];

135 (f) *Support the Cologne initiative for the reduction of debt, particularly the Heavily Indebted Poor Countries Debt Initiative, and the provision that funds saved should be used to support anti-poverty programmes that address gender dimensions;*

Support the Cologne initiative for the reduction of debt, particularly the [~~the Cologne Initiative for the reduction of debt, particularly~~ **speedy implementation of the enhanced/timely implementation of the enhanced**] Heavily Indebted Poor Countries Debt Initiative, and the provision [~~the provision~~ **ensure**] that funds [**available, including those**] saved [**by the debt initiative**] should be [~~should be~~ **are**] used to support **[comprehensive poverty reduction strategies designed in cooperation with civil society]** anti-poverty programmes that address [~~anti-poverty programmes that address~~ **comprehensive poverty reduction strategies designed in cooperation with civil society and incorporating**] gender dimensions [**Such strategies should be based on the**

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understanding that gender inequalities limit economic growth and social development and that, *inter alia,* gender budget initiatives should be taken into consideration;];

135 (g) *Establish "lending windows" with simplified procedures and collateral requirements that specifically cater to the savings and credit needs of women;*

Establish, in partnership with the private sector, where appropriate, "lending windows" and financial services with simplified procedures and collateral requirements and other financial vehicles that specifically cater to the savings, credit and insurance needs to women of all ages engaged at all levels of business;

136 (a) *Support the capacity of women's NGOs to mobilize resources to ensure sustainability of their development activities;*

Support the capacity of women's [~~women's~~] NGOs to mobilize resources to ensure sustainability of their [~~development~~] activities;

136 (b) *Seek to create partnerships among Governments, international organizations, NGOs, the private sector, civil society, women and men in support of gender equality;*

[~~Seek to c~~] **C**reate [**effective]** partnerships among Governments, international organizations, NGOs, the private sector, civil society, [**communications and media systems],** women and men in support of gender equality;

136 (c) **Establish partnerships with business, trade unions and other NGOs in support of the goals of the Fourth World Conference on Women and the Secretary-General's proposal for a Global Compact;**

136 (d) **Promote and encourage substantive partnerships among Governments and multilateral organizations, private sector institutions and NGOs to support poverty reduction initiatives focused on women and girls;**

136 (e) *Support the intermediary role of NGOs in establishing linkages between financial institutions and disadvantaged women in rural and urban areas;*

Support [~~the intermediary role of NGOs in establishing~~] linkages between financial institutions and disadvantaged women in rural and urban areas;

136 (f) *Support the critical role of women's NGOs in the implementation of Agenda 21 and the integration of a gender perspective in the design and implementation of environmental conservation and resource management mechanisms, programmes and infrastructure;*

Support the [~~critical~~ **crucial]** role of women's NGOs [~~s' NGOs~~] in the implementation of Agenda 21, the integration of a gender perspective in the design and implementation of [**sustainable]** environmental [~~conservation~~] and resource management mechanisms, programmes and infrastructure;

136 (g) **Recognize the need for information campaigns and codes of conduct that promote gender-sensitive social responsibility of the private sector;**

137 (a) **Recognize the social significance of the family and the important role often played by women in caring for members of their family;**

137 (c) **Provide protection to the family, the basic unit of society;**

138 (a) Promote programmes for healthy active ageing that stress the independence, equality, participation, and security of older women and undertake gender-specific research and programmes to address their needs; **(AGREED)**

138 (c) *Support NGOs in efforts to develop community strategies to protect women of all ages from HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases, provide care to infected girls, women and their families and mobilize all parts of the community;*

[**As a matter of priority, especially in those countries most affected, and in partnership with** ~~Support]~~ Support NGOs in efforts to [**intensify education, services and** ~~develop]~~ develop community [**based**][**mobilization]** strategies to protect women of all ages from HIV and other [~~other~~] sexually transmitted diseases [**including the provision of male and female condoms, voluntary HIV testing and counselling, and intensify research on and make available as soon as possible other female-controlled methods, such as microbicides and vaccines];** [**while respecting parental rights and responsibilities**,]

[**and**] provide care to infected girls, women and their families [**promote responsible sexual behaviour, including abstinence,]** and mobilize all parts of the community [~~and mobilize all parts of the community~~]; [~~provide care to infected girls, women and their families and mobilize all parts of the community~~;]

138 (d) **Provide access to adequate and affordable treatment and care for people with sexually transmitted diseases and HIV and associated opportunistic infections, such as tuberculosis, and other services, including adequate housing for women and girls living with sexually transmitted diseases and HIV, including during pregnancy and breastfeeding; assist boys and girls orphaned as a result of the HIV/AIDS pandemic;**

138 (e) *Provide support systems, including adequate medication, housing and monitoring for women and girls infected by HIV/AIDS;*

Provide [**gender sensitive]** support systems, including adequate [~~adequate~~ **appropriate]** medication [~~including adequate medication~~ **to assist women who are involved in caring for persons affected by serious health conditions, including HIV]**; ~~adequate housing including adequate medication, housing and monitoring for women and girls infected by HIV/AIDS~~;], housing [**social protection, care,]** and monitoring [**for children, adolescent girls]** women [**and their families**] infected [~~infected~~ **affected]** by HIV/AIDS;

138 (e) bis Urges Governments, the United Nations system and NGOs to take effective and expeditious measures to mobilize international and national public opinion concerning the effects of different dimensions of the world drug problem on women and girls and allocate more resources, as a priority, at the international level to overcome them;

138 (f) *Support women's NGOs in providing services as one strategy to increase Government's capacity to meet commitments made at the Cairo International Conference on Population and Development and the follow-up to the Conference (Cairo+5) regarding access to quality and affordable health services, including sexual, reproductive health care and family planning information and services, as well as maternal and essential obstetric care;*

[**Increase Governments capacity, *inter alia*, by s]** Support[**ing**] women's [~~women's~~] NGOs in providing services as one strategy to increase Government's capacity [~~as one strategy to increase Government's capacity~~] to meet [**international**] commitments [**to gender equality and the human rights of women, including sexual and reproductive rights]** made at [**Beijing**] the Cairo International Conference on Population and Development and the follow-up to the Conference (Cairo+5) [~~the International Conference on Population and Development and ICPD + 5~~ **the Fourth World Conference on Women]**[**and related United Nations conferences**] regarding access to quality and affordable health services [~~quality and affordable health services,~~ **social services related to health care, including education, clean water and safe sanitation, nutrition, food security]**, including sexual [**and**], reproductive health care and family planning information and services [**that are free from any form of coercion]**, as well as maternal and essential obstetric [**and neo-natal**] care [~~regarding access to quality and affordable health services, including sexual reproductive health care and family planning information and services, as well as maternal and essential obstetric care~~];