

## UNGA77\_VAWG – REV 1

“Intensification of efforts to prevent and eliminate all forms of violence against women and girls: gender stereotypes and norms”

### Negotiating Grid

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<b>Key: A</b> = Abortion/SRHR, <b>E</b> = Comprehensive Sexuality Education, <b>F</b> = Family, <b>G</b> = SOGI (sexual orientation/gender identity), <b>M</b> = Motherhood, <b>P</b> = Parents, <b>R</b> = Religion, <b>S</b> = Sovereignty, <b>Y</b> = Parity		
Para # as listed	Add / Delete / Retain / Note	Key
PP 4.	Reaffirming further the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women , the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action , the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development [ <del>DELETE: and the outcomes of their review conferences</del> ], and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples ,[ A/RES/75/161, PP4 verbatim]	S
PP 6	<b><i>DELETE ENTIRE PARAGRAPH - particularly the red bolded phrasing</i></b> <i>Recalling further</i> all previous agreed conclusions adopted by the Commission on the Status of Women, including at its sixty-fifth session, on 26 March 2021, on women’s full and effective participation and decision-making in public life, as well as the elimination of violence, for achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls <sup>[1]</sup> and at its fifty-seventh session, on 15 March 2013, on the elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls <sup>[2]</sup> , <b><i>and welcoming all relevant initiatives such as the Generation Equality Forum, convened by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and co-chaired by France and Mexico, in partnership with civil society and youth.</i></b> [Based on A/RES/73/340 and A/RES/75/16]	A,E,G
PP 10.	<i>Deeply concerned</i> about the continued prevalence of violence against women and girls [ <del>DELETE: in all its different forms and manifestations</del> ] worldwide, offline and online, which is underrecognized and underreported, particularly at the community level, and its pervasiveness, which reflects discriminatory norms that reinforce stereotypes, including gender stereotypes [ <b>ADD: that promote inequalities between women and men,</b> ] and gender inequality and the corresponding impunity and lack of accountability, reiterating the need to intensify efforts to prevent and eliminate all forms of violence against all women and girls in the public and private spheres in all regions of the world, and re-emphasizing that violence against women and girls violates, and impairs their full enjoyment of, all human rights, [Based on A/RES/75/161, PP10]	G
PP 13	Recognizing that sexual and gender-based violence against women and girls is one of the fundamental social, political and economic means by which the subordinate position of women with respect to men and their stereotyped roles are perpetuated, and that this violence is rooted in gender stereotypes and negative social norms, such as the ideology of men’s entitlement and privilege over women, perceptions of masculinity, the need to assert male control or power, and stereotypical gender roles [ <b>ADD: that promote inequalities between women and men,</b> ] leading to the justification, normalization, condonement and perpetuation of violence and stigmatization of victims and survivors, [Based on CEDAW/C/GC/35, para 10 and A/HRC/RES/35/10, OP9(b)] <b>NOTE: “stereotypical gender roles” can be viewed as an effort to undermine women who choose to be mothers and homemakers.</b>	M

PP 14	<p><b>DELETE PARAGRAPH</b>  Recognizing further the challenges and obstacles to changing discriminatory attitudes, <u>gender stereotypes and negative social norms</u> which perpetuate <b>[DELETE: multiple and intersecting forms of]</b> discrimination against women and girls, and stressing that challenges and obstacles remain in the implementation of international standards and norms to eliminate gender inequality, [<u>Verbatim A/RES/74/235, PP27</u> <b>NOTE: This paragraph is repetitive and focuses, primarily, on “multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination” with the intent of pushing sexual orientation/gender identity (SOGI)</b>]</p>	G
PP 16.	Reaffirming that human rights include the right to freely choose a spouse, to enter into marriage only with free and full consent and to have control over and to decide freely and responsibly on matters relating to sexuality, <b>[DELETE: including sexual and reproductive health,]</b> free of coercion, discrimination and violence, and recognizing that equal relationships in matters of sexual relations and reproduction, including full respect for dignity, integrity and autonomy, are key to prevent and eliminate all forms of violence against all women and girls, and require mutual respect and consent and the freedom to choose whether to marry and whether to have sexual relations, [Based on A/HRC/RES/48/6]	A
PP 17	<p><b>DELETE PARAGRAPH: Recognizing that stereotypes portraying women solely as mothers and wives may contribute to discrimination and violence against women and girls, and in particular against widows, single and divorced women and women without children and women with infertility, [Based on A/RES/76/252, OP1 and OP3; WHO 2021 global report on ageism, pages 11 and 36; A/HRC/7/3, OP4; A/HRC/47/38, para 22 and UNFPA 2021 State of the World Population Report, page 68 and 85]]</b> <b>NOTE: This entire paragraph can be viewed as an effort to undermine women who choose to be mothers and wives, implying that promotion of women as mothers and wives is innately harmful and discriminatory to women in other circumstances.</b></p>	M
PP 20	Expressing concern at institutional and structural discrimination against <b>all</b> women and girls, such as laws, policies, regulations, programmes, administrative procedures or structures, services and practices that directly or indirectly restrict access to institutions, property and landownership, inheritance, nationality, health care <b>[DELETE: and services]</b> , education, justice, women’s employment and access to credit, which place them at increased risk of violence, and compound the violence experienced, and constitute a major impediment to their full, equal, meaningful and effective participation in society, as well as economic and political life, [Based on A/HRC/RES/35/10, PP13 and A/RES/75/161, PP12]	A
PP 23	<p><i>Stressing</i> the need to change combat gender stereotypes and negative social norms in the world of work, which that condone violence against women and girls in the world of work, including through, but not limited to, training, and awareness-raising campaigns, associated with a change in attitudes and increased knowledge about sexual harassment, particularly among men and boys, <b>[DELETE: as well as, ensuring equal pay for work of equal value]</b> [Based on A/RES/73/148, PP15 and E/CN.6/2021/L.3, OP61(q)] <b>NOTE: “equal pay for work of equal value” is off-topic for a resolution on violence - unless someone is attempting to redefine “violence” to mean possible wage discrepancies.</b></p>	M
OP 3	Urges States to strongly condemn all forms of violence against women and girls, both offline and online, and reaffirms that they should not invoke any custom, [ADD: or] tradition <b>[DELETE: or religious consideration]</b> to avoid their obligations with respect to its elimination and should pursue, by all appropriate means and without delay, a policy of eliminating all forms of violence against women, as set out in the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women; [Based on A/RES/75/161, OP3]	R
OP 4	Calls upon States to address <b>[DELETE: multiple and intersecting forms of]</b> discrimination, which place women and girls at greater risk of exploitation, violence and abuse, and to implement measures to prevent and combat gender stereotypes, negative social norms, attitudes and behaviours that cause or perpetuate discrimination and violence against women and girls <b>[DELETE: in all their diversity]</b> and to ensure their participation and leadership in society; [Based on A/RES/75/161, OP4, and A/RES/75/158, OP15, and A/HRC/RES/47/15, OP5]	G

OP 5 (b)	Addressing and combatting the root causes of gender inequality, including structural, institutional, <b>[DELETE: multiple and intersecting forms of]</b> discrimination against women and girls, <b>[DELETE: patriarchal values,]</b> unequal power relations, gender stereotypes and negative social norms, perceptions and customs and harmful social norms, attitudes and behaviours, which justify, normalize, condone or perpetuate violence against women and girls and stigmatize victims and survivors; [Based on A/HRC/RES/48/6, para 3a; A/HRC/RES/35/10, OP9(b) and A/RES/70/176, OP6] <b>NOTE: What is a “patriarchal value”? Without a definition, this phrase can be perceived as an attack on religion.]</b>	R
OP 5 (g)	Ensuring the promotion and protection of the human rights of all women <b>[DELETE: and their sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights]</b> in accordance with the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development, the Beijing Platform for Action <b>[DELETE: and the outcome documents of their review conferences]</b> , and with respect to their integrity, autonomy and agency, including through the development and enforcement of policies and legal frameworks and the strengthening of health systems that make universally accessible and available quality, <b>[DELETE: comprehensive sexual and reproductive health-care services,]</b> commodities, information and education, including safe and effective methods of modern contraception, <b>[DELETE: emergency contraception,]</b> prevention programmes for adolescent pregnancy, maternal health care such as skilled birth attendance and emergency obstetric care, which will reduce obstetric fistula and other complications of pregnancy and delivery, <b>[DELETE: safe abortion where such services are permitted by national law,]</b> and prevention and treatment of reproductive tract infections, sexually transmitted infections, HIV and reproductive cancers, , recognizing that human rights include the right to have control over and decide freely and responsibly on matters related to their sexuality, <b>[DELETE: including sexual and reproductive health,]</b> free from coercion, discrimination and; [Based on A/RES/75/161, OP15]	A, S
OP 5 (i)	Implementing in partnership with all relevant stakeholders, effective violence prevention and response activities in schools and communities, educating children from a young age <b>[ADD: , taking into account the rights and responsibilities of parents,]</b> regarding the importance of treating all people with dignity and respect, and design educational programmes and teaching materials that support consent, non-violent behaviour, respect for boundaries for unacceptable behaviour and knowledge on how to report it, that combat gender stereotypes and negative social norms, build self-esteem and informed decision-making and communication skills and promote the development of respectful relationships based on gender equality, inclusion and respect for human rights, [Based on <b>[ADD: A/CONF.171/13,]</b> A/RES/75/161, OP6(g) and A/HRC/RES/48/6, OP1] <b>*The addition is from ICPD, 11.24.</b>	P
OP 5 (j)	Developing policies and programmes with the support, where appropriate, of international organizations, civil society and non-governmental organizations, giving priority to formal, informal and non-formal education programmes, including scientifically accurate <b>[DELETE: and age-appropriate comprehensive]</b> education that is relevant to cultural contexts, that target stereotyped gender roles and promote the values of gender equality and non-discrimination, including positive masculinities and that provides adolescent girls and boys and young women and men in and out of school, consistent with their evolving capacities with information on <b>[DELETE: sexual and reproductive health]</b> <b>[ADD: sexual risk avoidance]</b> and HIV prevention, gender equality and women’s empowerment, human rights, physical, psychological and pubertal development, including menstrual health and power in relationships between women and men, to enable them to build self-esteem and foster informed decision-making, communication and risk-reduction skills and to develop respectful relationships, in full partnership with young persons, parents, legal guardians, caregivers, educators and health-care providers, in order to, inter alia, enable them to protect themselves from HIV infection and other risks; [Based on A/RES/75/161, OP6(i); A/RES/74/121, OP12; CEDAW/C/GC/35, para 30(b)(i); CRC/C/GC/20, OP30 and A/RES/76/137, OP13]	A,E
OP 5 (k)	Removing barriers, including political, legal, cultural, social, economic, <b>[ADD: and]</b> institutional <b>[DELETE: and religious ones]</b> , preventing women’s full, equal, effective and meaningful participation in leadership and political and other decision-making positions, taking into account that promoting women to leadership positions may significantly reduce the risk of violence against women and girls...	R

OP 5 (m)	Preventing, addressing and prohibiting all forms of discrimination, intimidation, harassment and violence, both offline and online, that prevent women and girls from fully enjoying <b>[DELETE: all]</b> their human rights, including the right to freedom of opinion and expression, and take all measures to address the gender digital divide and ensure equal access of women and girls to information and communications technology design and consumption, promoting digital, media and information literacy and connectivity to enable the participation of <b>[DELETE: all]</b> women and girls in education and training, while noting with concern that new technological developments can perpetuate existing patterns of inequality and discrimination, including in the algorithms used in artificial intelligence-based solutions; <b>NOTE: Adding “all” is unnecessary and opens the door to SOGI.</b>	G
OP 5 (p)	Taking appropriate measures for the prevention of all forms of violence, intimidation, threats and attacks against women on the Internet and through digital technologies, and to protect them human rights defenders <b>[DELETE: , including women human rights defenders,]</b> in online spaces and to consider adopting laws, policies and practices that protect them from defamation and hate speech while also affirming the rights to freedom of expression and privacy; [Based on A/RES/174/46] <b>NOTE: “including women human rights defenders” is repetitive and unnecessary.</b>	A
OP 5 (q)	Ensuring that, in armed conflict and post-conflict situations and in natural disaster situations, the prevention of and response to all forms of violence against women and girls, including sexual and gender-based violence and conflict-related sexual violence are prioritized and effectively addressed and are centred on victims and survivors and are based on a survivor-centered approach, respecting the rights and prioritizing needs of survivors, including groups that are particularly vulnerable at risk or may be specifically targeted, including through the investigation, prosecution and punishment of perpetrators to end impunity, the removal of barriers to women’s access to justice, the establishment of complaint and reporting mechanisms and the provision of support <b>[DELETE: and services]</b> to victims and survivors; [Based on A/RES/75/161, OP8 and S/RES/2467, OP16]	A
OP 6 (a)	Exercising due diligence and ensuring that legislation to prevent, investigate, prosecute and hold to account the perpetrators of all forms of sexual and gender-based violence against women and girls, eliminate impunity and provide for effective access to appropriate remedies and reparations for victims and survivors, and ensuring the protection of women and girls, including adequate enforcement of civil remedies, orders of protection and criminal sanctions, and the provision of shelters, psychosocial services, counselling, health-care services, <b>[DELETE: and other types of support services,]</b> in order to avoid revictimization, promoting an empowering environment, and that in doing so contributing to the enjoyment of <b>[DELETE: all]</b> human rights and fundamental freedoms by women and girls subjected to violence; [Based on A/RES/75/161, PP24 and A/RES/72/162, OP14]	A
OP 6 (c)	Providing relevant and comprehensive legal protection in full respect of human rights and centred on to support and assist victims and survivors of all forms of violence, in a gender-responsive manner, including victim and witness protection from reprisals for bringing complaints or giving evidence, within the framework of their national legal systems, including, legislative or other measures, such as addressing gender stereotypes and negative social norms throughout the criminal and civil justice system and law enforcement as appropriate <b>[DELETE: , paying particular attention to women and girls facing multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination]</b> ; [Based on A/RES/75/161, OP7(a)]	G
OP 9	<i>Encourages</i> States to systematically collect, analyse and disseminate data disaggregated by sex, <b>[DELETE: gender,]</b> age and other relevant parameters about both victims/survivors and perpetrators, including, where appropriate, administrative data from law enforcement officials, the health sector, the judiciary and other relevant sectors, to consider developing methodologies to collect data on all forms of violence against women and girls, including gender-related killings and sexual harassment, in, inter alia, digital contexts, in order to monitor all forms of such violence, such as data on the relationship between the perpetrator and the victim and geographical location, with the involvement of national statistical offices and, where appropriate, in partnership with other actors, including law enforcement agencies, in	G

	order to effectively review and implement laws, policies, strategies and preventive and protective measures, while ensuring and maintaining the privacy and the confidentiality of the victims; [based on A/RES/75/161, OP18]	
OP 10	Urges the international community, including the United Nations system and, as appropriate, regional and subregional organizations, to support national efforts to promote gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls in order to enhance international efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against all women and girls, <b>[DELETE: through, inter alia, relevant initiatives such as the Generation Equality Forum, convened by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and co-chaired by France and Mexico, in partnership with civil society and youth, and through official development assistance, other appropriate assistance as well as South-South and triangular cooperation,]</b> such as facilitating the sharing of guidelines, methodologies, lessons learned and best practices, taking into account national priorities; [Based on A/RES/75/161, OP19]	A, E, G
OP 13	Stresses that, within the United Nations system, adequate resources should be assigned to UN-Women and other bodies, specialized agencies, funds and programmes responsible for the promotion of gender equality, the empowerment of women and the human rights of women and girls and to efforts throughout the United Nations system to prevent and eliminate violence against women and girls, including sexual harassment, calls upon the United Nations system to make the necessary support and resources available <b>[DELETE: , and takes note with appreciation in this regard of the contribution of the Spotlight initiative];</b> [A/RES/75/161, OP22, verbatim]	A, E, G

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