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Letter dated 8 April 1996 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter dated 4 April 1996 addressed to you by His Excellency Mr. Osman Ertuğ, Representative of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus.

I should be grateful if the present letter and its annex were circulated as a document of the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1996 under item 5 (e), entitled "Advancement of women".

(<u>Signed</u>) Hüseyin E. ÇELEM Ambassador Permanent Representative

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Annex

Letter dated 4 April 1996 from Mr. Osman Ertuğ to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that on 8 March 1996, which is celebrated across the world as International Women's Day, the National Assembly of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus unanimously ratified the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, which was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on 18 December 1979.

This ratification is pursuant to a previous decision of the Council of Ministers of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (A-195-96 dated 7 February 1996), by which it had approved the said Convention.

I should be grateful if the present letter were circulated as a document of the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1996 under item 5 (e), entitled "Advancement of women".

(<u>Signed</u>) Osman ERTUĞ Representative Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus
