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XII. Integration of the human rights of women and a gender perspective:

(a) Violence against women

1. The Commission considered agenda item 12 at its 44th to 46th meetings, on 9 April, at its 47th and 48th meetings, on 10 April, and at its 75th meeting, on 24 April 2001.
2. For the documents issued under agenda item 12, see annex VI to the present report. For a list of all resolutions and decisions adopted by the Commission and Chairperson's statements, by agenda item, see annex V.
3. At the 44th meeting, on 9 April 2001:
 - (a) The Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences, Ms. Radhika Coomaraswamy, introduced her report (E/CN.4/2001/73 and Add.1-2);
 - (b) A statement was read out by a member of the secretariat on behalf of Ms. Angela King, Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women;
 - (c) The Chairperson of the Commission on the Status of Women, Ms. Dubravka Simonovic, made a statement;
 - (d) The Chairperson of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, Ms. Charlotte Abaka, made a statement.
4. In the general debate on agenda item 12, statements were made by members of the Commission, observers and representatives of non-governmental organizations. For a detailed list of speakers, see annex III.

Traffic in women and girls

5. At the 75th meeting, on 24 April 2001, the observer for the Philippines introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2001/L.59, sponsored by Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Argentina, Austria, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Bhutan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Finland, Gabon, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Haiti, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Kenya, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mexico, Nepal, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Rwanda, San Marino,

Senegal, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Swaziland, Thailand, Togo, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, the United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay and Viet Nam. Algeria, Azerbaijan, Cambodia, Canada, Cuba, France, Georgia, Japan, Morocco, Nicaragua, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, South Africa, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the United States of America and Zambia subsequently joined the sponsors.

6. Paragraph 14 of the draft resolution was orally revised by the observer for the Philippines.

7. The draft resolution, as orally revised, was adopted without a vote. For the text as adopted, see chapter II, section A, resolution 2001/48.

Elimination of violence against women

8. Also at the 75th meeting, the representative of Canada introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2001/L.60, sponsored by Afghanistan, Albania, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Haiti, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, New Zealand, Norway, the Philippines, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Swaziland, Sweden and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Angola, Argentina, Austria, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cameroon, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cyprus, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Ethiopia, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Israel, Italy, Kenya, Latvia, Liberia, Madagascar, Mauritius, Mongolia, the Netherlands, Peru, Spain, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Senegal, South Africa, Switzerland, Tunisia, Turkey, the United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela and Zambia subsequently joined the sponsors.

9. The seventh preambular paragraph of the draft resolution was orally revised by the representative of Canada.

10. Statements in connection with the draft resolution were made by the representatives of Algeria, the Russian Federation and the United States of America.

11. The draft resolution, as orally revised, was adopted without a vote. For the text as adopted, see chapter II, section A, resolution 2001/49.

Integrating the human rights of women throughout the United Nations system

12. Also at the 75th meeting, the observer for Chile introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2001/L.61, sponsored by Albania, Australia, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Denmark, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Finland, Greece, Guatemala, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Mexico, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Romania, Senegal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Tunisia, Uruguay and Venezuela. Argentina, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, Cameroon, Cyprus, Ecuador, France, Germany, Georgia, Ireland, Israel, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mauritius, Nicaragua, the Philippines, Slovenia, South Africa, the Republic of Korea, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland subsequently joined the sponsors.

13. The observer for Chile orally revised the draft resolution by revising operative paragraph 27 and by inserting a new operative paragraph after operative paragraph 28.

14. The draft resolution, as orally revised, was adopted without a vote. For the text as adopted, see chapter II, section A, resolution 2001/50.

Traditional practices affecting the health of women and the girl child

15. Also at the 75th meeting, the Commission considered draft decision 4 recommended by the Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights for adoption by the Commission (see E/CN.4/2001/2-E/CN.4/Sub.2/2000/46, chap. I).

16. In accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, the attention of the Commission was drawn to the estimated administrative and programme budget implications of the draft decision.

17. The draft decision was adopted without a vote. For the text as adopted, see chapter II, section B, decision 2001/107.
