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**Statement of the Republic of Korea**

Thank you, Mr. President.

The Republic of Korea acknowledges the Somali Federal Government's consistent efforts to enhance the human rights despite the difficulties and challenges caused by years of conflict.

In particular, the Korean delegation welcomes the efforts to develop a National Action Plan to end sexual violence in conflict as well as the ratification of the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) in 2015.

However, my delegation would like to make the following recommendations.

First, make further efforts to strengthen the legal framework in the areas of security and law enforcement as well as ensure that the judiciary is guided by international human rights law with a particular focus on the importance of an impartial and independent judicial system.

Second, step up efforts to prevent all forms of violence against women, including sexual abuse and domestic violence by finally adopting a comprehensive National Action Plan to punish perpetrators and provide assistance and recovery for victims as well as eradicate harmful traditions such as female genital mutilation (FGM).

Finally, further develop measures to promote education for all, particularly for vulnerable groups, including women, children and persons with disabilities.

Thank you. /End/