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The Secretary-General has received the following written statement, which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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Beijing's Practice of Gathering Multi-stakeholder Efforts to Advance Women's Human Rights Protection

The right to life and health constitutes the bedrock of all women's rights and is an inalienable fundamental human right. Domestic violence is not a "private family affair," but a serious violation of human rights. Combating domestic violence and safeguarding women's rights and interests are essential not only for promoting social harmony and stability, but also as a core priority on the international human rights agenda. It remains an absolute imperative for upholding the principles enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women.

In his message for the 2025 International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres emphasized that "violence against women and girls is a global scourge," which "in our digital age, is being amplified by the reach and speed of technology." He called on the global community "to unite to end violence against women everywhere." Concurrently, at the 2025 Global Leaders' Meeting on Women, Chinese President Xi Jinping observed that women's "all-round development is achieved under the prerequisite of peace and tranquillity," and urged the international community to "improve mechanisms against violence and resolutely crack down on all forms of violence against women."

As a women's organization and a member of the Beijing NGO Association for International Exchanges, the Beijing Women's Federation (BWF) has long been dedicated to addressing violence against women and girls. The organization has actively advocated for the comprehensive implementation and continuous refinement of the Anti-Domestic Violence Law of the People's Republic of China, advancing its counter-domestic violence initiatives through the lenses of human rights protection, access to justice and social empowerment.

Recognizing that the eradication of domestic violence requires concerted, society-wide action, the BWF has pursued a multi-faceted approach to multi-stakeholder collaboration and legal empowerment:

1. **Dialogue and Expertise Contribution:** By conducting targeted research, establishing dedicated research bases on domestic violence prevention, and convening specialized forums, the BWF has built robust platforms for multi-stakeholder dialogue and cooperation. As an active participant in the inter-agency consultation mechanism on combating domestic violence, the BWF contributes civil society expertise into the resolution of complex and pressing challenges.
2. **Legal Remedies and Grassroots Monitoring:** The BWF advocates for raising both the issuance rate and the enforcement efficacy of police warning notices against domestic violence and personal safety protection orders, ensuring that statutory protections are translated into practical safeguards for victims. Rooted in the community, the organization has woven a community-level safety net against domestic violence and relays actionable information to relevant government departments to facilitate timely and effective intervention.
3. **Accessible Victim Support:** Utilizing the 12338 Women's Rights Protection Service Center and localized marriage and family mediation rooms—both positioned within walking distance for residents—the BWF provides integrated services covering legal aid, psychological counselling and essential assistance. Furthermore, collaboration with the 12345 Citizen Service Hotline ensures a 24/7 uninterrupted mechanism for receiving and processing domestic violence complaints.
4. **Prevention and Public Advocacy:** On key advocacy dates, such as the anniversary of the implementation of the Anti-Domestic Violence Law on March 1 and the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women on November 25, the BWF publishes exemplary cases and carries out law awareness campaigns through case interpretation and legal education

courses, calling on the whole society to “foster family harmony and reject violence.” To prevent violence at its source, initiatives such as the promotion of “Capital’s Most Beautiful Families,” family education guidance, and the collection and promotion of model family narratives are utilized to foster an equal and non-violent gender culture and family atmosphere.

The promotion and protection of human rights is an ongoing endeavour, and the eradication of domestic violence demands sustained, collective commitment. As an active advocate for women’s rights and interests, we call upon the international community to allocate greater attention and resources to addressing violence against women and girls. We stand ready to deepen exchanges, mutual learning and experience-sharing with the international community and women’s organizations worldwide. Let us work together to eliminate all forms of violence against women, advance the global agenda for combating domestic violence, and safeguard the equality, dignity, and human rights of all women and girls.

Beijing Women’s Federation (BWF), NGO(s) without consultative status, also share the views expressed in this statement.