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political, economic, social and cultural rights,
including the right to development**

Written statement submitted by Beijing Guangming Charity Foundation, a non-governmental organization in special consultative status*

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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Safeguarding Youths' Right to Development and Advancing High-Quality Global Youth Development

The right to development is an inalienable human right. The full development of young people is essential to gender equality, social justice, and global sustainable development. Today, youth still face challenges in access to education, meaningful participation, and career development.

In March 2026, during the 70th Session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, Beijing Guangming Charity Foundation officially launched the United Nations Youth Development Programme. The program aims to enhance youth global competence, multilateral participation, and the realization of the right to development. It provides high-quality training, international exchanges, and practical learning opportunities for young people aged 18 and above.

Focusing on global governance, multilateral diplomacy, and the Sustainable Development Goals, the program offers professional courses, on-site visits, and career guidance. It helps young people broaden their international vision and translate the right to development from concept into tangible benefits.

Going forward, Beijing Guangming Charity Foundation will continue to promote high-quality implementation of the programme, uphold public welfare and equity, support youth development, and contribute to human rights protection and the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda.
