Indigenous Women Beyond the Ten-Year Review of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action

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Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil,* Chile,* Costa Rica,* Cuba, Ecuador,* Guatemala, Paraguay,* Peru, Uruguay* and Venezuela:* draft resolution

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The Commission on the Status of Women,

Convinced of the commitments assumed in the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (1), the Beijing Platform for Action (2), the Millennium Development Goals (3), the Durban Plan of Action (4) and the General Assembly resolution on the Second International Decade of the World’s Indigenous People (5) to guarantee the economic, social and cultural well-being of women,

Recognizing that indigenous women are part of the diversity of the women of the world,

Reaffirming the recommendations on indigenous women and girls adopted at the third session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (6), which emphasized equality, non-discrimination and the recognition of the value of the diversity of the cultural identities and forms of social organization of indigenous women,

Recognizing that profound gaps exist between indigenous women and other groups, which will affect the achievement of the Millennium Developments Goals,
Recommends that Governments, intergovernmental agencies, the private sector and civil society adopt measures that ensure the full and effective participation of indigenous women in the implementation, follow-up work and monitoring of the Beijing Platform for Action and the Millennium Development Goals.

* In accordance with rule 69 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.
(2) Report of the Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, 4-15 September 1995 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.96.IV.13), chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.
(3) See General Assembly resolution 55/2.
(4) See A/CONF.189/12, chap. I.
(5) General Assembly resolution 59/174.