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Committee 5: Female Peacekeepers

The Commission on the Status of Women (CSW),

Reaffirming S/RES/1325(2000), which addresses the role of women in the prevention and resolution of conflicts, peace negotiations, peace-building, peacekeeping, humanitarian responses, and stressing the importance of their equal participation and involvement in all efforts for the promotion of peace and security,

Recognizing that within the United Nation's (UN) own peacekeeping forces that less than 5% of the total police and military strength is accounted for by females,

Acknowledging that action must be taken to prevent assault, sexual or otherwise, against female peacekeepers, even within the UN's own peacekeeping forces, creating a safe environment for female peacekeepers,

Expressing concern towards the lack of background screening that takes place when recruiting peacekeepers,

Expressing deep concern towards the status of women who are integrated into peacekeeping positions, but are relegated to tasks well below their qualifications,

1. *Suggests* Member States establish policies in accordance with the operative clauses defined in *S/RES/1325 (2000)*, that expresses the unfulfilled commitment of integrating women's perspectives fully into our diplomatic, defense, and development efforts;

2. *Encourages* Member States to institute training programs similar to the workshop organized by UN Women in India and the Center for United Nations Peacekeeping (CUNPK) to instruct male and female peacekeepers on gender-based violence prevention as part of pre-deployment training;

3. *Suggests* that Member States educate women on the many roles that a female peacekeeper may take that may not necessarily cause them to be in active war zones to

encourage more women to take up an assignment as a UN peacekeeper;

4. *Calls upon* the UN to raise the compensation rate for female peacekeepers, creating an incentive for nations to contribute female peacekeepers over males,

5. *Encourages* Member States to invite female peacekeepers to share their experiences with adolescents and potential recruits to instill awareness;

6. *Calls for* Member States to establish proper screening methods to discover prior and repeating offenders of human rights to prevent their inclusion in UN peacekeeping forces;

7. *Recommends* that Member States contribute to the UN Women's grant management system for subsidized education, healthcare, and childcare programs as an incentive for the voluntary participation of female peacekeepers;

8. *Insists* Member States set up programs that prepare potential female peacekeepers to properly learn the skills they need to pass deployment tests.