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**Statement**

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Mr. President,

At the outset I would like to extend my appreciation to you for convening the open debate on “ Women and Peace and Security” and our gratitude to the Secretariat for the report presented before the Council, on the implementation of Resolution 1325, and its relative plans and programs.

Mr. President,

No doubt that the Secretary General's report reflects an enormous effort exerted in the follow up to the implementation of the 2005-2007 Action Plan, as well as the preparation to the new Action Plan 2008-2009, as much as it reflects the growing interest from all entities of the UN wide System with the efficiency needed. Yet there are many queries that we still have to ask in our attempt to achieve the desired integration between the activities at the Organization level, and the activities held by Member States and NGO's and Private Sector with the aim of implementing the resolution and its relative plans.

This demands, as a start, an effective breach to the gaps and challenges as has been explained by the Secretary General, on the institutional level dealing with the matters within the organization, which is effected from one side by the lack of non-core resources coming from voluntary contributions, and from the other by the lack of a clear vision to the end game result, which differs from one case to the other, and from a third by the lack of effective reporting and evaluation to the substantive influence of the organization on the ground, lastly from ignoring the vital role that can be played by the Peace Building Commission in designing the conceptual framework dealing with this issue, specially in post conflict stages, as reflected in Op17 of the GA Resolution 61/143.

It demands further, not only from the Security Council but from us all through the UN System, to design a clear system Wide action plan dealing with this issue, in a manner that all Principle Organs of the UN would join in its implementation, through adopting simultaneous resolutions by the Security Council, General Assembly and the ECOSOC.

An important issue, as the one in our hands now, doesn't need scrutinizing Member States by establishing a monitoring mechanism to guarantee the full implementation of resolution 1325 and its related plans, as suggested by the Secretary General, all what it needs is an international shared efforts to strengthen States Capacities to help with the implementation, and extend financial resources and needed technical expertise to make progress possible.

Mr. President,

Egypt renders an extensive importance to the implementation of 1325, within a holistic frame that gathers efforts from Governments, Civil Society and private sector, and is open enough to implement the resolution all over the Arab World; the Government of Egypt have supported many activities related to the implementation of 1325, its action plans and relative programs, and helped other Countries in Africa to effectively deal with the matter through technical assistance and trilateral cooperation with other partners. The Suzanne Mubarak Movement for Women and Peace has had its share in that too, being one of the biggest NGO's having a big role in that, through convening a serial of regional meetings, through which Governmental and Non Governmental Organizations support Women's activities in achieving Peace and stability, particularly, in supporting women's roles in starting an effective political negotiation process aiming at reaching settlements for the international outstanding political issues, the Government of Egypt will continue to play its national, regional and international role, in strengthening the Status of Women in all fields, in coordination with the Principle Organs responsible for Women's issues within the Organization.

Thank you Mr. President