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Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

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Excellency,

In my capacity as Rapporteur on follow-up to concluding observations of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), I have the honor to refer to the examination of the tenth periodic reports of Mongolia, at the Committee's eighty-second session, held in June 2022. At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations (CEDAW/C/MNG/CO/10) were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. You may recall that in paragraph 55 on follow-up to the concluding observations, the Committee requested Mongolia to provide, within two years, written information on the steps taken to implement the recommendations contained in paragraphs 23 (a) and (d), 27 (a) and 29 (c) of the concluding observations, namely:

"23. Recalling its general recommendation No. 35 (2017) on gender-based violence against women, updating general recommendation No. 19, and in line with target 5.2 of the Sustainable Developments Goals, to eliminate all forms of violence against women and girls in the public and private spheres, the Committee urges the State party to:

(a) Ensure that perpetrators of domestic violence are prosecuted and adequately punished and that sanctions provided for in the Law on Combating Domestic Violence are strictly enforced;

(d) Establish specialized courts to hear cases of gender-based violence against women."

"27. In line with its general recommendation No. 23 (1997) on women in political and public life and target 5.5 of the Sustainable Development Goals, to ensure women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision-making in political, economic and public life, the Committee urges the State party to:

(a) Conduct awareness-raising campaigns aimed at politicians, members of the Central Electoral Board, judges, members of the media and the general public to enhance the understanding that the full, equal, free and democratic participation of women on an equal basis with men in political and public life is a requirement for the full implementation of the Convention and for achieving sustainable development in the State party;"

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"29. In line with its general recommendation No. 36 (2017) on the right of girls and women to education, the Committee recommends that the State party:

(c) Ensure equal access for women and girls to education in non - traditional fields of study, by recruiting women teachers, providing scholarships and career counselling, introducing incentives and schemes to attract and retain women and girls, raising awareness among parents, teaching personnel and girls and women on the importance of girls choosing non-traditional fields of study and career paths, such as science, technology, engineering and mathematic."

Although the information sought by the Committee was due in July 2024, it has not been received to date. Accordingly, I would be grateful for clarification as to the current status of your Government's response on the matters.

The Committee looks forward to pursuing the constructive dialogue it has started with the authorities of Mongolia on the implementation of the Convention. In this context, the Committee seeks to receive your response to this reminder within one month of the date of this correspondence.

Please note that this response should be precise and should not exceed a maximum length of **3,500 words**, including footnotes. You may attach a limited number of annexes containing statistical data only which are not counted for the word limit. Please also send a **Word electronic version** of the information requested to the Secretariat of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women by email to <u>ohchr-cedaw@un.org</u>.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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