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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 on concluding observations of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), I have the honor to refer to the examination of the ninth periodic report of Peru, at the Committee's eighty-first session, held in February 2022. At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations ([CEDAW/C/PER/CO/9](#)) were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. You may recall that in paragraph 57 on follow-up to the concluding observations, the Committee requested Peru to provide, within two years, written information on the steps taken to implement the recommendations contained in paragraphs 22(b), 24(a), 34(b) and 38(c) of the concluding observations.

The Committee welcomes the follow-up report ([CEDAW/C/PER/FCO/9](#)) received with over five months delay in August 2024 under the CEDAW follow-up procedure. At its eighty-ninth session, held in October 2024, the Committee examined this follow-up report and adopted the following assessment.

Regarding the recommendation made in **paragraph 22 (b)** of the concluding observations that the State party “**Strictly enforce the provisions of the Civil Code prohibiting child marriage**”:

The Committee welcomes the approval of Law 31945 which amends the Civil Code, Legislative Decree 295, prohibiting the marriage of children and adolescents (NNA) without exceptions and recognizing their right to request the annulment of marriages contracted prior to the entry into force of the law directly and without intermediaries. The Committee notes with interest the various measures that the State party has taken to disseminate information and train personnel on the contents of Law 31945. Furthermore, the Committee notes with appreciation that the National Registry of Identification and Civil Status (RENIEC) has taken steps to create and communicate Registry Guidelines concerning the prohibition and cancellation of registration of the marriage of children and adolescents, which, as of March 2024, have already led to the cancellation of five marriage certificates by virtue of the application of the rule and the Registry Guidelines.

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The Committee considers that the State party has provided evidence of the full implementation of all actions recommended by the Committee. It therefore considers that the recommendation has been **implemented**.

The Committee considers that the information provided by the State party is thorough and extensive, and that it relates directly to the recommendation. It thus considers that the quality of the information provided is **satisfactory**.

In relation to the recommendation made in **paragraph 24 (a)** that the State party **“Enhance mechanisms to monitor the enforcement of laws criminalizing gender-based violence against women and providing for victim support services, in particular with regard to disadvantaged and marginalized groups of women, such as young women, indigenous, Afro-Peruvian and other Afrodescendants, lesbian, bisexual and transgender women and intersex persons and women with disabilities”**:

The Committee takes note of the information provided by the State party on the implementation of new measures, guidelines, and policies to combat gender-based violence against women. The Committee welcomes the progress made in implementing the National Strategy for the Implementation of the National Specialized Justice System for the Protection and Punishment of Violence against Women and Family Members (SNEJ). The Committee also welcomes the approval of Law 31439, which strengthens the monitoring bodies of Law 30364 on gender-based violence, and the approval of Law 31613 and Law 31621, which increase the provision of victim support services. The Committee regrets, however, the lack of data provided by the State party, including on disadvantaged and marginalised groups of women.

The Committee considers that the State party took some steps towards the implementation of the recommendation, but that it needs to take further action to implement all measures recommended by the Committee. It therefore considers that the recommendation has only been **partially implemented**.

The Committee considers that the information provided by the State party fails to respond fully to the recommendation. It thus considers that the quality of the information provided is **partially satisfactory**.

The Committee recommends that, in relation to **paragraph 24 (a)** of the concluding observations, the State party provide, **in its next periodic report**, information on further actions taken to:

Enhance mechanisms to monitor the enforcement of laws criminalizing gender-based violence against women and providing for victim support services, in particular with regard to disadvantaged and marginalized groups of women, such as young women, indigenous, Afro-Peruvian and other Afrodescendants, lesbian, bisexual and transgender women and intersex persons and women with disabilities.

In relation to the recommendation made in **paragraph 34 (b)** of the concluding observations that the State party **“Ensure that sufficient human and financial support is available for implementation of strategies to prevent early pregnancies and strengthen support mechanisms to encourage pregnant girls and young mothers to continue their education during and after pregnancy, including by providing affordable childcare facilities, informing pregnant girls of their rights and imposing fines on educational institutions that expel pregnant girls and/or deny young mothers the opportunity to reintegrate into education”**:

The Committee welcomes the information provided by the State party on the implementation of new capacity-building activities and policies to prevent early pregnancies. The Committee also welcomes the progress made in implementing new guidelines for comprehensive

sexual education. However, the Committee regrets the lack of information on measures to ensure that sufficient human and financial support is available for the implementation of these strategies. The Committee also takes note of the existing laws and new guidelines that work to ensure educational continuity for pregnant girls and young mothers. However, the Committee regrets the lack of information provided on efforts to strengthen the support mechanisms to encourage pregnant girls and young mothers to continue their education during and after pregnancy. Particularly, the Committee regrets the lack of information provided on the provision of affordable childcare facilities, and the enforcement of the law in the case that educational institutions deny the continuity of education for pregnant girls or young mothers.

The Committee considers that the State party took some steps towards the implementation of the recommendation, but that it needs to take further action to implement all measures recommended by the Committee. It therefore considers that the recommendation has only been **partially implemented**.

The Committee considers that the information provided by the State party fails to respond fully to the recommendation. It thus considers that the quality of the information provided is **partially satisfactory**.

The Committee recommends that, in relation to **paragraph 34 (b)** of the concluding observations, the State party provide, **in its next periodic report**, information on further actions taken to:

Ensure that sufficient human and financial support is available for implementation of strategies to prevent early pregnancies and strengthen support mechanisms to encourage pregnant girls and young mothers to continue their education during and after pregnancy, including by providing affordable childcare facilities, informing pregnant girls of their rights and imposing fines on educational institutions that expel pregnant girls and/or deny young mothers the opportunity to reintegrate into education.

In relation to the recommendation made in **paragraph 38 (c)** of the concluding observations that the State party “**Develop and strengthen the capacities of health personnel in the implementation of the National Technical Guide for the Standardization of the Procedure for the Comprehensive Care of the Pregnant Woman in the voluntary interruption for therapeutic indication of pregnancy of less than 22 weeks**”:

The Committee welcomes information that the State party has provided on the number of health professionals that have received training for the implementation of the National Technical Guide mentioned above. The Committee notes with appreciation that the number of girls, adolescents and women who had access to therapeutic abortion due to serious risk to their life and/or health increased by 130% at the national level between 2022 and 2023. The Committee also takes note with interest that the proposed "Complementary technical guide for the application of the procedure established in Resolution 486-2014/MINSA" is in the process of evaluation.

The Committee considers that the State party has provided evidence of the full implementation of all actions recommended by the Committee. It therefore considers that the recommendation has been **fully implemented**.

The Committee considers that the information provided by the State party is thorough and extensive, and that it relates directly to the recommendation. It thus considers that the quality of the information provided is **satisfactory**.

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

Yours sincerely,



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