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Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the examination of the combined second and third periodic report of Myanmar, at the forty-second session of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), held in October-November 2008. In follow-up to its concluding observations adopted at that session (CEDAW/C/MMR/CO/3), the Committee requested Myanmar to provide, within one year, written information on steps undertaken to implement the recommendations contained in paragraphs 29 and 43 of the concluding observations.

On 14 June 2010, Myanmar submitted information under the CEDAW follow-up procedure (CEDAW/C/MMR/CO/3/Add.1). In its letter of 25 August 2010, the Committee informed your Permanent Mission that it had examined the information provided at its forty-sixth session, held in July 2010 in New York, concluding that Myanmar had responded to some of the elements contained in the recommendations, while others had not been implemented. Accordingly, the Committee requested Myanmar to provide, within one year, information on a number of concerns expressed in the letter.

On 25 October 2010, the Committee received additional information submitted by Myanmar (CEDAW/C/MMR/CO/3/Add.2), ahead of the time limit set by the Committee.

At its forty-eighth session, held in January-February 2011 in Geneva, the Committee examined the additional information provided by Myanmar and noted that it does not address any of the concerns expressed by the Committee in its letter dated 25 August 2010.

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The Committee therefore reiterates the observations contained in its letter of 25 August 2010 (see annex), as well as its request to receive, by 25 August 2011, further information on the measures taken by the State party to address the concerns expressed in that letter in relation to the implementation of paragraphs 29 and 43 of the concluding observations. A Word electronic version of the information should be sent to the Secretariat of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women by email to [cedaw@ohchr.org](mailto:cedaw@ohchr.org)

The Committee looks forward to pursuing its constructive dialogue with the authorities of Myanmar on the implementation of the Convention and avails itself of this opportunity to invite Your Excellency's Government to consider requesting technical assistance from the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights for the preparation of its replies under the CEDAW follow-up procedure on the above indicated concerns.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "D. Šimonović". The signature is written in a cursive style with a distinct flourish at the end.

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