

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 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, namely:

“22. In line with joint general recommendation No. 31 of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women/general comment No. 18 of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (2014) on harmful practices, the Committee recommends that the State party:

(b) Strictly enforce the provisions of the Civil Code prohibiting child marriage;”

“24. Recalling its general recommendation No. 35 (2017) on gender-based violence against women, updating general recommendation No. 19, the Committee recommends that the State party:

(a) 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;”

“34. Recalling its general recommendation No. 36 (2017) on the right of girls and women to education, the Committee recommends that the State party promote understanding of the importance of girls' education at all levels as a basis for their empowerment, and:

(b) 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;”

“38. In line with its general recommendation No. 24 (1999) on women and health, the Committee recommends that the State party:

(c) 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;”

Although the information sought by the Committee was due in February 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 Peru 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 ohchr-cesdaw@un.org.

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

Yours sincerely,



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