



Huairou Commission

Amendments to Agreed Conclusions of the 52nd CSW Proposed by the Huairou Commission

10. The Commission is also concerned that insufficient budgetary resources continue to undermine the effectiveness and sustainability of national mechanisms for the advancement of women, **women's organizations, particularly grassroots women's organizations** in advocating for, supporting and monitoring the implementation of the Beijing Platform. (E.CN. 6/2008/2 para 86).

11. The Commission urges Governments, The United Nations system, and invites the Bretton Woods institutions, international and regional organizations, non-governmental organizations, as well as other civil society actors, **particularly grassroots women's organizations**, as appropriate to take the following actions:

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a. Strengthen the mandates for national machineries for the advancement of women and ensure that they are adequately resourced to carry out their critical mandates in advocating for, supporting and monitoring the incorporation of gender perspectives, **including grassroots women's perspectives** in all policy areas and the implementation of gender equality plans and programmes; (E.CN. 6/2008/5, para 90(f)).

c. Ensure that gender equality is prioritized as a central goal in the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of all national economic policies, strategies and plans, across all policy areas, including in national development strategies and poverty reduction strategies, and encourage the active participation of national mechanisms for the advancement of women, and women's organizations, **including grassroots women's organizations** in the design and development of such policies, strategies and plans; (E.CN.6/2008/5, para.90 (c)).

m. Take measures to develop and implement gender sensitive programs aimed at stimulating women's entrepreneurship and private initiative and assist women-owned **formal and informal businesses to participate in and benefit from**, inter alia, international trade, technological innovation and investment; (CSW Agreed Conclusions 2002/ 5/a, para.5(w)).

u. Ensure that direct funding goes to women's organizations, **especially grassroots women's organizations and networks** to advance their autonomy and sustainability, and increase support for women's funds which provide grants to women's initiatives.(E.CN. 6/2008/2, para.88(s)).

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q. Take measures to incorporate gender perspectives in new aid modalities and efforts to enhance delivery mechanisms, **ensuring that aid reaches the grassroots level to address the priorities of women living in poverty** including through the Development Cooperation Forum;(Based on E.CN. 6/2008/2, para 88 (n)).

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