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Agenda Item 2: Promoting Gender Equality in the Digital Age

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Kingdom of Norway is placed in Northern Europe Scandinavian Peninsula. The country is boarded by Sweden, Finland and Russia. The capital and the largest city is Oslo. Norway covers on area of approximately 385,207 square kilometres 148,729 square miles, making it the 67th largest country in the world by land area. As for the political facts; the form of segment of Norway the state power between the Cabinet the Supreme Court and the Parliament. The official language of Norway is Norwegian. The economy mostly depends on North Sea oil. Kingdom of Norway is a member of Istanbul Convention and CEDAW Convention.

Women have been facing with a lot of challenges in today’s world. The empowerment of women in governance is an inevitable discussion in many countries, there is resistance to women’s political participation because of prevailing gender norms questioning their ability to lead. Today Norway is known as one of the best countries in the world considering gender equality. Today Norway has 45% of women in Parliament and occupy 40% of board seats in top companies. Norway highly believes that it is crucial that women and men are to have equal opportunities and rights considering all terms and especially representation of the country. Regardless of age, gender, nationality and etcetera, it’s one’s right to take a place in a society and yet not to be ignored in any means. Norway appreciates women and their valuable assets in various industries.

In such a digital era, it is an unbelievable fact that women are still left behind. Terminating their human rights, some women even cannot still take the advantage of technology although it should work for all individuals equally. Considering the half of the world’s population being women, they are supposed to be an integral part of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) aims which are to achieve gender equality and empower women and girls by all means. Their voices need to be raised, their needs have to be prioritized and they should have their desired status in the societies taking advantage of the technology and its industry no matter what.

Norway is aware of the fact that there is a still long way to achieve our aims and maintain a more equal world in all terms. Norway has always been working on sustaining comprehensive equality and ready to cooperate with other nations. We are looking forward to see an equal world in terms of gender equality.

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