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Statement submitted by Adolescent Breast and Pelvic Cancer Awareness Initiative, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council*

The Secretary-General has received the following statement, which is being circulated in accordance with paragraphs 36 and 37 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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Statement

Statement: Recover from Covid-19 pandemic recession,

(Promote gender standard health care, prevention education and gender empowerment).

We, Adolescent Breast and Pelvic Cancer Awareness Initiative granted Special consultative status with United Nations Economic and Social Council since 2019. We are registered gender sensitive advocacy on gender sensitization and care, related ailments. COVID-19 Pandemic has forced the whole world to confront our broken system. COVID-19 Pandemic has largely affected women more than men. We must advance progress towards gender well-being, health, education, empowerment etc.

Gender health care- Strong and standard gender specialist hospitals should be built in our proposed site Enugu State Nigeria. For proper medical diagnoses, treatment and medical care for all classes of [women, girls and children]. An opportunity for women, children, girls to have access to professional medical care on time. During COVID-19 Pandemic lock down, many women lost their loved ones, some women loss their jobs, some women loss their lives, some women quit their job to take care of their family. Women, children, girls should be in front-line for professional medical cares. They (women, children and girls) are a fast-growing population. Children in Nigeria are like social security. Some class of women cannot pay for good medical care in and outside Nigeria. While some girls and children depend on their parents and the society for survival. It is a means to support women in their efforts in saving lives. COVID-19 Pandemic may not be the last pandemic, Prevention education on gender disease Surveillance is important/necessary for gender well-being. It is our collective responsibility to find lasting solutions on gender health and wellbeing in Nigeria. The reasons gender specialist hospital should be built in Enugu state Nigeria, women, girls and children should have access to good health care on time in Nigeria. Through professional care in partnership with United Nations, International health care delivery original equipment manufacturers and International health care project financiers to participate in development, ownership and operation of gender specialist hospitals in Enugu State Nigeria through Public Private Partnership (PPP). To encourage/support women in saving lives. To ensure all women receive standard medical care in Nigeria without travelling outside Nigeria. Employment/ empowerment the gender specialist hospitals shall offer employment to women and young girls to care for themselves and their family. Research institute shall be built in the hospital for continuous education of specialized persons in medicine, oncology, gynaecology, obstetric, nursing, paediatric, pharmacology etc. Children that grow up in lovely environment have great return of achievements to their nation. It is an eye sore to see cancer patients especially women, children, girls under the heat of the sun begging. The gender specialist hospitals shall serve as medical tourist centre for west Africa countries. We call on the United Nations to further fast-track our request to ensure prevention and care of gender ailments, through partnership to achieve our goal on gender health care.

The Prevention education are building information that protects gender lives from sickness hurts, death etc. The education is an eye opener, to women, girls and children to eradicate/minimize gender violence, gender ailments, etc. Women are vulnerable to attacks. During COVID-19 pandemic lock down, there are increase of gender violence in Nigeria, some women and girls lost their lives. It is necessary to protect the fast-growing population (women, girls and children). The education involved consultation of experts on particular topic package such as reproductive health, standard Agricultural practices etc. The financial constraints of some advocacy nongovernmental organizations could not carry the burden of the education.

The education package's topic in war zone is different from peaceful region. The impact of prevention education is one of the stick yards to measure gender well-being. Prevention education in Nigeria should put into consideration, especially in rural zones where poverty, ignorance prevail. When women's mind is educated, she will produce positive results. We call on the United Nations, international organizations and Governments to partner/sponsor the gender prevention education for positive outcome. Gender empowerment is means to give life back to weak body. When women are empowered, they will empower their girl child. COVID-19 pandemic affect all sectors include human lives, economy, business, crop yielding, animal production, etc. Many women are on the street begging with their children. Include sick women and their children, children should be in school acquiring knowledge. Gender impact of knowledge and empowerment package shall contribute to minimising COVID's harsh effects on women, girls and children, etc. It is our advocacy plan to ensure women have sound health, eradicate sick beggars, sick children regain their health and go to back, not street beggars. We nongovernmental organizations planned to achieve gender good health care through partnership by building standard gender specialists hospitals in our proposed site in Enugu state Nigeria, we also resolved to build alongside mini water works, in standard with World Health Organization guideline, power component, medical village for repair and maintenance service, shop mall/bank unit, security unit, staff housing unit, hostels, hotels, cottage agriculture, specialized research institute, Air field [Air drome], fuel and gas station, schools [primary and high school], etc. Building Nigeria is building the entire Africa. We are calling on the United Nations, international organizations and the Nigerian Government to restore over a million lives in Nigeria through strategic partnership in achieving gender good health care, prevention education and gender empowerment. Together we join hands to save women, children and girls.
