

Statement of Ireland

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Interactive Dialogue on the analytical report of the High Commissioner on the current state of play of the mainstreaming of the human rights of women and girls in conflict and post-conflict situations

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Ireland aligns with the statement of the EU thanks the High Commissioner for this important and timely report.

Ireland welcomes the progress documented in the report. It is clear that, through resolutions, UPR recommendations and reports of special procedure mandate holders, the Human Rights Council has increased its focus on the human rights of women and girls in conflict and post-conflict situations.

However, it is equally clear that a systematic approach is absent, resulting in significant imbalances and omissions.

Ireland attaches a high priority to Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security and, guided by a series of National Action Plans, we endeavour to ensure a systemic approach to its implementation both domestically and through our international relations.

We note that the Report highlights the mutually reinforcing nature of the work of the Security Council and the Human Rights Council. As an elected member of the Security Council, we are taking every opportunity to ensure that WPS is prioritised and mainstreamed.

Madame High Commissioner,

In terms of next steps, what actions are envisaged to communicate and embed the valuable recommendations contained in the Report throughout the UN system?

Thank you.