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The integration of women into all levels of government through the socioeconomic sector is essential in the development of women and advancement of gender equality as a fundamental human right. Kenya hopes to begin to work multilaterally with other member states in efforts for all women worldwide to have the equal opportunities and rights to flourish and strive as equals.

## Women and Sustainability

The impact women have made in the last century for their given nations through agricultural means is important to analyze and optimize. With an approximate eight percent of women accounting for purchase of household supplies, the challenge of the upkeep and dealing with drastic and sudden climate changes is difficult to undergo. Reinforcing, women as the voice through the suggestion of each body of government by holding a women's council in coalition with electoral official's aids in the sustainability of the role in the environment. Kenya has dealt first hand with the issue of food security, calling to develop a UN body in coalition with member states with a series of professionals trained to teach and train women to develop their business and managerial skills. To ensure that this will run efficiently, women directly affected by these problems in these communities will work with the UN body along with men in the community to bridge the gap of land ownership. An establishment of a microcredit organization will be used as an indicator to ensure that each and every women is affected positively by each program. Programs set in schools to teach women to optimize energy sources, while still educating themselves and providing for their families will assist to combat deforestation throughout. Kenya is first hand affected by the ramifications of depending on biomass energy and will work with intergovernmental organizations and NGO's to develop environmentally friendly alternatives.. One of the largest issues deals with the xenophobia that comes with menstrual waste. Efficiently this must be combatted by implementing sex education into school systems and create a channel in which women have the ability to learn how to dispose of menstrual waste. Through the coalition of communities directly affected and UN bodies, women and sustainability can efficiently coincide

## Elimination of Gender Based Violence

Gender based violence has corrupted nations for centuries based off of radical ideologies. the greatest way in which this can be combatted is through the implementation of education program to both men and women explaining the issue deep rooted in systematic oppression. Expressions and strategies need to be set in place, which tackle women's political participation and influence, economic empowerment, reproductive health and rights and commitment to see women as world changers instead of victims. Through implementing the strategy of women

helping women, the issue of understanding the issue at its core is tackled. A multilateral plan needs to be set in place where laws are fully carried out to the extent on paper to ensure that each and every women is ensured safe and equal rights. Not only does prevention need to be tackled but the direct response. A multilateral plan face head on the leadership roles women need to be put in to ensure that GBV comes to an end. With the aid of other nation, Kenya hopes to strengthen each women at their core for all to be treated equally and fairly, regardless of gender.

## Women in Education and Employment:

The most necessary plan of action and fundamental factors to ensure the success of women begins with the need for education. Social, emotional and physical barriers are set in front of women to stop them from having the equal right to education, resulting in a snowball effect which leaves them jobless. Education needs to be prioritized as a basic human right in which co operative education programs are set in place to ease girls from a work life into a school load. Beginning with the implementation of school programs letting women work in coalition with their education ensures that barriers and oppressors stop them from receiving an education. Not only do women need to become literate in every way shape and form but practical means of survival such as managing their own business needs to be set in place to ensure that oppression and controlling powers does not ensue outside of the school. The burden of poverty is perhaps one of the greatest barriers for women to become empowered equals. A healthy environment where sex education is taught along with the need for sanitary water and a right for an education works with students to ensure that they all achieve the basic fundamental rights of what it means to be human.

Small steps in the right direction will ensure that each and every women is given the same equal rights and opportunities to empower a future generation where one can leave the change needed in the world together with the hands of women.