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Mr. President,

Violence against women and girls is the single most prevalent human rights violation around the globe and slows down sustainable development. It is a major obstacle to full and effective gender equality all over the world. In order to break the cycle of violence, it is of critical importance to prevent all forms of violence against woman and girls, including domestic violence. Many children witness or experience violence within their families, this can lead to deep traumas and increase the risk that they become perpetrators themselves as adults. In order to prevent and eliminate such intergenerational cycles of violence against women and girls, it is crucial to end discrimination against women and girls in law and in practice. This can only be achieved by actively engaging men and boys. How does the Special Rapporteur

recommend increasing the involvement of men and boys in order to strengthen prevention efforts?

The implementation of the 2030 Agenda provides a critical opportunity to accelerate progress in eliminating violence against women and girls everywhere. In the latest report, the Special Rapporteur highlights that there is no indicator on the rate of gender related killings of women although this extreme form of violence is in many cases directly related to a widespread unavailability of shelters and lack of efficiency of protection orders. How does the Special Rapporteur intend to promote measuring this important aspect in order to achieve SDG 5 comprehensively?

I thank you!