



**Mr. Chairman,**

We align ourselves with the statement made by Algeria on behalf of the Group of 77 and China

We have taken note of the Secretary General's various reports under this agenda item that shed light on various aspects of women's advancement in different parts of the world as well as further actions required to promote this cause in accordance with internationally agreed standards. Regardless of their socio-cultural and economic milieus, women continue to be marginalized worldwide and depending on how they are positioned within the social, economic and cultural hierarchies of their societies, they face different forms of discrimination that affects their enjoyment of universal human rights

**Mr. Chairman,**

We are pleased that within the UN framework, UN Women has acquired a firm footing.

the Status of Women Bill, passed by the Parliament, grants full financial and administrative

