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Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled “Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century”: implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives: review of the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcomes of the twenty-third special session and its contribution to sharing a gender perspective in the realization of the Millennium Development Goals

Linkages between implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals

Moderator’s summary

1. On 4 March 2010, the Commission on the Status of Women convened an interactive expert panel on the theme “Linkages between implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals”. The session was moderated by Mr. Takashi Ashiki, Vice Chairperson of the Commission on the Status of Women. The panellists were: Ms. Eva Rathgeber, University of Ot8 T2(k)-5((een)-6(Neen)-6(Neenof)177g(tio)-7)-6 7r0a44-1.205 TD(-f49um Devel6(n;)



comprehensive guidance for achieving the Millennium Development Goals in a gender-responsive manner. However, gender equality perspectives are not well

in increased ownership and outcomes at the national level. Collaboration, partnerships and cooperation among all stakeholders, including civil society and women's organizations, should therefore be enhanced. Since women at the grass-roots level often do not benefit from large-scale development initiatives, it is necessary to identify and put in place mechanisms to ensure that women's voices are heard in decision-making processes and in programme development. Social dialogue