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Madame Chairperson,

It is my pleasure to address the 67th Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) on the topic of "The Role of the ICC in the Global Economy".

The ICC is a unique organization that brings together the world's leading business organizations to promote international trade and investment.

Over the years, the ICC has played a vital role in the development of international trade law and practice.

Today, the ICC continues to be a leading voice for the international business community.

As we look to the future, we must continue to work together to promote a global economy that is open, free, and fair.

The ICC is committed to this mission and will continue to work tirelessly to achieve our goals.

Thank you for your attention and support.

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A lot of credit should go to our vibrant civil society groups for the invaluable work they have done in Ghana to address and prevent gender based violence. They effectively complement the work of Government by conducting advocacy, awareness creation, monitoring through the Domestic Violence Coalition, providing free legal services and support and rehabilitation of survivors and court monitoring.

Madame Chairperson

Some challenges have hampered our progress; these include services stipulated under the Domestic Violence Act including free medical services, shelters and care administered by clinical psychologists. Very significantly, post exposure prophylaxis (PEP) is still not universally available for survivors of sexual assault. The persistence of some harmful traditional practices is problematic and overall prevalence of female genital cutting is 3.5