



ITALY

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OF THE 57TH SESSION OF THE UN COMMISSION**

Madam Chair,
Dear colleagues,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

Let me start by saying that Italy fully aligns itself with the statement delivered by Ireland on behalf of the European Union.

sound and harmonious national and international institutional contexts, and in compliance with a common legal framework based on high standards of

I am firmly convinced that government actions to combat violence must ensure not only immediate assistance and support but also help create the conditions for economic and professional independence.

They must also facilitate, through quality jobs for women, the creation of work environments in which women can fulfill reasonable career prospects while balancing them with family care responsibilities

and translate commitments into reality. We will pursue this goal with equal determination.

Madam Chair,

We need to work together, at a global and local level, to address violent situations in all their complexity by involving law enforcement agencies, the justice and health systems and both public and private entities. To combat