

**STATEMENT BY MARIAM MWAFFISI A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED
REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA ON AGENDA ITEM 62: ADVANCEMENT OF
WOMEN.**

Chairperson,

At the outset, we thank the Secretary General for his reports presented for this agenda item. The reports have provided recommendations which warrant our serious considerations.

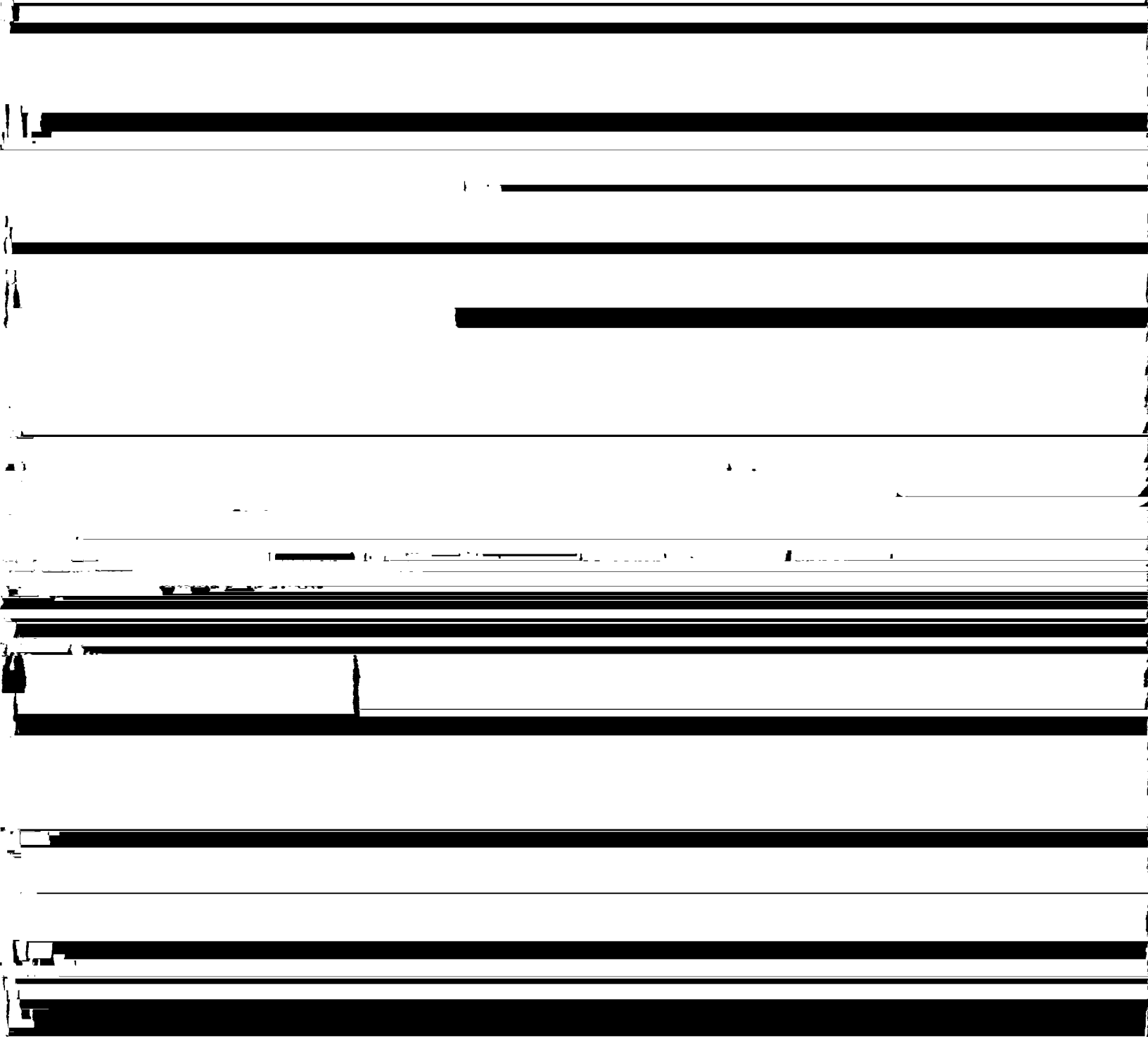
We will ourselves with the statements read by Sudan on behalf of the group of

77 and China and by Malawi on behalf of SADC.

Chairperson

The government of the United Republic of Tanzania is fully committed to the attainment of gender equality and the empowerment of women. In this endeavour the government has continued to implement the Beijing Platform for

manage sustainable development initiatives and in the process improve socio-economic services and opportunities. Women have also been beneficiaries of this fund. The government has now established a women's bank to give added ~~support to the efforts of empowering women economically.~~ The bank will



Article 1 of 1999 provides for the right of land ownership for both women and

men. The Land Act No 2 of 2002 established Land Tribunals which must include not less than 43 percent women. In 2004 the land Act was further amended to make land economically valuable and allow it to be mortgaged to access financial

and resources for investment. Furthermore, the Village Act provides for 30% women participation in the village council which is the decision-making body at village level. The government through the ministry of Land and human Settlements Development is actively promoting this act and some women in the rural areas have already been issued with land ownership certificates.