# Biographical data form of candidates to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

Name (family name, first name): ZOU Xiaoqiao

Nationality: Chinese

Date and place of birth: 22 February 1952, Jiangsu, China

Working languages: Chinese and English

### **Current positions:**

Director General, International Liaison Department, All-China Women's Federation Member of UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

### Other positions:

Board member, China Human Rights Studies Society

Board member, China NGO Network for International Exchanges

Council member, China United Nations Association

Member, China UNESCO National Committee

Member, Coordinating Committee of Women Leaders' Network, Asian and Pacific

Economic Cooperation (2000-2010)

Vice chairperson of UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against

Women (2009-2010)

### **Educational background:**

1986 University of Los Andes Colombia

Diploma in methodology, data collection and data analysis

1985 University of Chicago United States

Diploma in sociology and women studies

1978 –1980 University of Canberra Australia

Diploma in History, politics and literature

1971 – 1975 Beijing Foreign Studies University

BA. in English literature

### **Professional profile:**

I've for long been committed to promoting the dissemination and implementation of Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), and for this purpose I've actively engaged in various major activities at national and international levels, and published articles in mainstream newspapers and magazines, and Internet, with special efforts to enhance public knowledge of CEDAW in China through, inter alia, promoting the publication of easy-to-read booklets on CEDAW, and translation and distribution of CEDAW in ethnic languages, giving lectures on CEDAW and other international human rights instruments to government officials, procurators, judges and those working for women's movement.

Over 30-year experience of promoting women's human rights and gender equality. A champion of quite a number of policy and legislative proposals, including (1) integration of gender equality and combating of domestic violence into the revision of the Law on the Protection of Women's Rights and Interests of the People's Republic of China; (2) inclusion of human rights and gender equality in school curriculum; and (3) further strengthening of sex-disaggregated data in surveys and statistics. Have a solid theoretical background and rich experiences on gender issues on the ground. Have been dedicating the past 30 years to women's studies, with focus on women's empowerment, the advancement of women, violence against women and trafficking in women, in both national and international contexts. Have been and still is working in the steering committee for many projects that were designed to fight against violence against women and trafficking. As a leading member on the Chinese side, started Program to Promote Chinese Women's Political Participation, a project in cooperation with the United Nations Development Program. A supervisor of Project on Household, Gender and Age, a cooperative research program on the impact of economic development and reform on rural women in Jiangsu and Sichuan, co-sponsored by the All-China Women's Federation and United Nations University.

Have actively engaged in international exchanges and discussions with experts from other countries on women's human rights, women's political participation, women and economic development, education and training of women, population etc. Have extensively engaged in international women's movement, with special attention to the trend of development of women's human rights worldwide. Have attended almost all major regional, international and the UN conferences on human rights, women and social development.

### Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Was involved in work relating to CEDAW long before being elected to the CEDAW Committee; from 1996 to 1999, alternate representative of the Chinese delegation to the 40<sup>th</sup> to 44<sup>th</sup> sessions of CSW on the drafting of an Optional Protocol to CEDAW; in 2000, held a discussion with CEDAW Committee members on CEDAW in Beijing; and was involved in the drafting of China's 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> combined reports and 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> combined reports on implementation of CEDAW.

As CEDAW Committee member, I've been dedicated to getting CEDAW known to more people, building on efforts to realize the rights enjoyed by women as stipulated in CEDAW. In 2004-2010, delivered addresses or key-note speeches on CEDAW and China's implementation of it at thematic seminars held by the organizations of the UN in China; participant of the Workshop on Further Implementation of the CEDAW Committee Concluding Comments organized by the Office of China State Council Working Committee on Women and Children; participant and lecturer on CEDAW at almost all seminars held by the government on China's implementation of CEDAW and seminars on Chinese NGOs' actions for CEDAW implementation in China; lecturer on women's human rights, CEDAW and its optional protocol for officials

from ministries and local bureaus, local law enforcement officials in particular, and women leaders in various fields, at training workshops and seminars held in Guizhou, Qinghai and Beijing; helped promote the dissemination of CEDAW in other countries, including Vietnam, Samoa and Fiji by giving lectures on CEDAW to officials and gender equality activists at all levels of the three countries. Provide consultancy and advice on China's 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> combined reports on CEDAW.

### **Human Rights of Women**

Have participated since 1996 in bilateral human rights dialogues including that of China-Canada, China-Australia, China-EU, and China-EU Seminar on Women's Human Rights, China-Norway Roundtable on Justice; key-note speaker or resource person of China-Canada-Norway Human Rights Dialogue, China-Germany Human Rights Seminar and China-Australia Seminar on Human Rights and Gender Equality; participated in China-Canada Civil Society Seminar on Human Rights and Law, and in seminar on women's human rights jointly held with European Parliament; observer of the 52<sup>nd</sup> session of the UN Human Rights Commission; participant of the seminar held by China's Ministry of Foreign Affairs on the concluding comments of CESCR; Head of Chinese delegation to the Second Regional Conference on Illegal Labor Movement: the case of trafficking in Children and Women held in Thailand, lecturer on violence against women for training courses conducted in areas inhabited by people of ethnic groups.

Keynote speaker at the Training Workshop on Human Rights and Gender Equality co-sponsored by China and Australia in Hainan in 2007, Keynote speaker at the Workshop on Violence against Women in Xinjiang in 2006;

Participant of the Seminar on the implementation of the Concluding Comments of CESCR organized by the Chinese Foreign Ministry and speaker on women's labor rights and violence against women in 2006;

Participating in the Training Workshop on Raising Human Rights Awareness held in Shanghai in 2006;

Participant of China-Canada Human Rights Dialogue in 2005;

Keynote speaker of China-Australia Human Rights Dialogue and of VAW Workshop in Inner Mongolia in 2005;

Keynote speaker of the 5<sup>th</sup> China-Canada-Norway Seminar on Human Rights in 2003;

Resource person of the 7<sup>th</sup> Sino-Australia Human Rights Dialogue in 2003;

Head of Chinese delegation to the Second Regional Conference on Illegal Labor Movement: the case of trafficking in Children and Women held in Thailand in 2002;

Keynote speaker on the Role of Chinese Women in Political, Economic and Social Life at the Sino-German Seminar on Human Rights in 2002;

Lecturer on international community and human rights at the workshop of China-Australian Human Rights Projects on Trafficking in Women and Domestic Violence in 2002;

Participant of the 5<sup>th</sup> China-Australia Human Rights Dialogue, the Human Rights Dialogue between China and European Union, and the Fourth Sino-Norwegian Roundtable on Role of Law and Human Rights, in 2001;

Keynote speaker on NGO's Role in Social Development and Policy Formulation at Sino-Canadian Seminar on Civil Society and Law of Human Rights in 1988;

Participant of China-EU Women's Conference on Human Rights in Beijing in 1998;

Observer of the 52<sup>nd</sup> Session of the UN Human Rights Commission in 1996.

### **Gender Issues**

Have been involved in all major activities/conferences on women and gender equality in various capacities, including the following:

Organizer and participant of International Forum on Women and Sustainable Development in Beijing in 2011, International Forum on Women in Urban Development and Commemoration of the 15th Anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women in Shanghai in 2010, International Conference on Gender and Disaster Risk Reduction in Beijing in 2009, the Sixth East Asia Women's Forum in Beijing in 2006, and the Global Conference of Women Entrepreneurs in Beijing in 2004;

Keynote speaker of the Conference on Women in Leadership: Economic Empowerment in the Asia Pacific held in Australia 2003, and the Vietnam Legislature Meeting on Gender Equality Law in 2006, Keynote speaker of the First ASEAN Women's Forum held in Beijing in 2006;

Organizer of the Seminar on the Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing in 2000, and Commemoration of the Tenth Anniversary of the UN Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing in 2005 and participant of elaborations of the Beijing+10 Declaration;

Chair or member of Coordinating Committee of Women Leaders' Network (WLN) of APEC in 2003, organizer and participant of the 7<sup>th</sup> WLN meeting in Beijing in 2001, and participant of the 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> WLN meetings in Thailand and Mexico;

Alternate representative of the Chinese delegation to the 23<sup>rd</sup> special session of the UN General Assembly *Women 2000: Gender Equality, Development and Peace for the Twenty-first Century* and participant of consultations of Outcome Document;

Participant of the Third Meeting of Senior Officials of National Mechanisms for the Advancement of Women in Japan in 2000;

Keynote speaker of the Third East Asian Women's Forum in Mongolia in 2000;

Personal Representative of the First Lady of China at the First Meeting of RSC-AP on the Economic Advancement of Rural and Island Women in 1997;

Member of China Organizing Committee for the Fourth World Conference on Women and NGO Forum on Women;

Adviser of the Chinese delegation to the Fourth World Conference on Women and participant of elaborations of the Beijing Declaration and the Platform for Action in Beijing in 1995;

Adviser of the Chinese delegation to the Second Asia and the Pacific Ministerial Conference on Women in Development, and participant of elaborations of Plan of Action for the Advancement of Women in Asia and Pacific in Jakarta 1994;

Adviser or alternate representative of the Chinese delegations to the sessions of the UN Commission on the Status of Women since 1994;

Adviser of the Chinese delegation to the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women held in Nairobi in 1985.

#### **Others**

Speaker on Women's Role in Peace-keeping at Asian and European People's Forum held in Seoul in 2000; participant of the International Conference of NGOs in Seoul in 1997, and observer of World Summit for Social Development in Copenhagen in 1995 and International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo in 1994.

### **Thesis:**

Safeguard Women's Human Rights and Promote Women's Overall Development

The Advancement of Chinese Women in the Thirty-year Reform and Opening-up

Footsteps of Progress: Human Rights in Another Perspective Building a Fairly Well-off Society in an All Round Way and Human Rights (second prize winner, in April 2004, China Human Rights Foundation) International Women's Movement and Organizations, Beijing: China Women's Press, 2001.

Chinese Women at the '95 NGO Forum on Women, Beijing: Chinese Women's Press, 1996

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# 其它职务:

中国人权研究会常务理事

中国民间组织国际交流促进会理事

中国联合国协会理事

中国联合国教科文委员会全国委员会委员

亚太经合组织性别问题联络员(2000-2010年)

联合国消除对妇女歧视委员会副主席(2009-2010年)

# 教育背景:

1986 哥伦比亚安第斯大学,社会学、数据分析

1985 美国芝加哥大学, 社会学

1978-1980 澳大利亚堪培拉大学,文学、历史、政治

1971-1975 北京外国语大学英文系,语言、文学

# 工作概述:

30年来,积极倡导妇女人权和性别平等。提出许多建议,包括建议在《中华人民共和国妇女权益保障法》修正案中纳入性别平等和反对家庭暴力的条款,将人权和性别平等纳入学校课程,呼吁进一步加强分性别统计等。

长期从事国内外妇女问题研究,对妇女赋权、妇女进步、对妇女暴力、拐卖妇女等有较深入研究,有丰富的理论和实践经验。参与多个反暴力和反拐项目的执行。作为中方负责人,与联合国妇女署合作开启推动中国妇女参政项目。参与联合国大学"家庭、性别、年龄"项目,在中国江苏、四川两地就中国经济改革对妇女的影响进行专题调研。

积极参与国际交流活动,就妇女人权、妇女参政、妇女教育、妇女与经济、人口等问题与各国专家深入探讨。积极参与国际妇女运动进程,关注妇女人权发展趋势,多次参加人权、妇女及其他社会领域问题联合国和国际、区域会议。

长期从事与《消除对妇女一切形式歧视公约》(下称公约)和联合国消除对妇女歧视委员会相关工作。致力于宣传公约,推动公约的执行,努力促进在全世界实现妇女依据公约所享有的权利。

# 主要活动:

# 《消除对妇女一切形式歧视公约》

在当选联合国消除对妇女歧视委员会委员前既从事相 关工作多年。1996-1999 年,作为中国代表团副代表参加在 纽约召开的联合国妇女地位委员会届会期间,参与公约任择 议定书的磋商和制定工作。2000 年,在北京与联合国消除对 妇女歧视委员会委员研讨公约。参加了中国执行公约第3、4 次合并报告和第5、6 次合并报告的编写。

作为联合国消除对妇女歧视委员会委员,特别重视在中 国进一步宣传公约,采取的措施主要包括制作和发放公约宣 传读本,推动将公约翻译成少数民族文字和广泛散发,在主 流报纸和杂志、互联网等媒介发表文章介绍公约, 在全国各 地包括贵州、青海、北京举办的研讨会、培训班上, 为政府 官员、特别是执法人员、各领域女性领导、性别平等工作者 等作专题报告, 宣讲公约及其任择议定书、中国执行公约、 其他国际人权文书、妇女人权等。2005 至 2010 年, 在联合 国驻华机构举办的多场主题会上发表讲话或主题演讲, 介绍 公约及中国执行公约情况。参加中国国务院妇女儿童工作委 员会办公室召开的关于进一步落实委员会结论性意见的讨 论会。参加几乎所有有关中国政府落实公约和中国非政府组 织推动公约在中国实施的研讨会,包括 2010 年 4 月在京举 办的中国妇女非政府组织撰写影子报告培训班, 并应邀讲解 公约。对中国履约第7、8次合并报告的撰写提供咨询和建 议。

积极促进公约在其他国家的认知。如曾在越南、于2010

年在萨摩亚和斐济为当地各级官员和性别平等工作者举办专题讲座。

# 妇女人权

2010年10月,在香港举办讲座,向香港非政府妇女组织介绍妇女人权和《消除对妇女一切形式歧视公约》;

2010年9月,在香港举办讲座,向香港特区政府官员介绍妇女人权和《消除对妇女一切形式歧视公约》

2009年,为妇女参政研训班介绍妇女人权议题;

2007年,任中国和澳大利亚在海南共同举办的人权与性别平等培训班主旨发言人:

2006年,任反对家庭暴力新疆研讨会主旨发言人;参加由中国外交部召开的落实经社文权利公约结论性意见研讨会,并就妇女的劳动权利、反对对妇女暴力等问题发言;

2005 年,参加上海提高人权意识培训班,参加中国-加拿大人权对话,参加中国-澳大利亚人权对话并就妇女人权问题发言,参加内蒙古反对家庭暴力研讨会并就国际社会保护妇女人权、反对家庭暴力议题发言;

2003 年,任中国-加拿大-挪威第五届人权研讨会发言人,参加中澳第7次人权对话;

2002年,率中国代表团出席在泰国召开的湄公河地区非法劳工、拐卖妇女儿童犯罪会议;

2002年,任德国中德人权研讨会发言人;中国青海反对家庭暴力培训班授课,主题:国际社会与家庭暴力;

2001年,参加中澳第5次人权对话、中国-欧盟人权对话、中挪第四次司法圆桌会议;

1998 年,参加加拿大中国-加拿大民间社会有关人权法 律问题研讨会并就中国非政府组织在社会发展中的作用作 主旨发言;参加北京中欧妇女人权研讨会;

1996年,列席在日内瓦召开的第52届人权委员会会议。

# 性别平等问题

2011 年,组织并参加北京"妇女与可持续发展国际论坛";

2010年,组织并参加上海"妇女与城市发展暨纪念第四次世界妇女大会十五周年国际论坛";

2010年,为各级妇联主席培训班讲授性别平等;

2009年,组织并参加北京"性别与减灾国际大会";

2009 年,组织并参与开罗"中非合作论坛——2009 妇女论坛";

2006年,组织并参加北京"第六届东亚妇女论坛";

2006年,任越南"性别平等法立法研讨会"和北京"首届东盟妇女论坛"主旨发言人;

2005 年在北京组织举办纪念第四次世界妇女大会十五 周年会议,参加会议宣言起草和磋商;2000年在北京组织举 办世妇会后续行动研讨会;

2004年北京"全球女企业家大会";

2003 年任亚太经合组织妇女领导人会议协调组成员, 2001 年在北京组织举办第七届妇女领导人会议,参加分别在 泰国、墨西哥召开的第六届、第八届妇女领导人会议;

2003年,任澳大利亚"女性领导:亚太地区妇女经济授权研讨会"主旨发言人;

2000年,作为中国代表团副代表出席第23届联合国妇女问题特别联大并参加成果文件磋商;

2000年,参加在日本召开的东亚、东南亚地区提高妇女地位国家机制第三次高官会议;

2000年,任蒙古"第三届东亚妇女论坛"主旨发言人; 1997年,作为中国第一夫人的私人代表出席亚太农村与

岛屿妇女参与经济发展会议;

1995-1994 年,参加第四次世界妇女大会及非政府组织 妇女论坛筹备工作;

1995年,作为中国政府代表团成员参加第四次世界妇女 大会,并参与《行动纲领》磋商;

1985年,作为中国政府代表团成员出席在肯尼亚内罗毕召开的联合国世界妇女大会;

1994年,参加雅加达筹备第四次世界妇女大会亚洲及太平洋妇女参与发展部长级会议并参加《行动计划》磋商:

1994年至今,出席历届联合国妇女地位委员会会议,任中国代表团副代表或顾问。

# 其他

1994-2000 年,参加汉城亚欧人民论坛、汉城非政府组织世界大会、哥本哈根社发首脑会议非政府组织论坛、开罗世界人口与发展大会。

# 主要论文:

- "保障妇女人权 促进妇女全面发展"
- "中国改革开放30年妇女事业的进步与发展"
- "文明的跫音----换个角度说人权"

- "全面建设小康社会与人权发展",获 2004 年 4 月中国 人权发展基金会主办的论文评选二等奖。
- "国际妇女运动和妇女组织",北京:中国妇女出版社,2001
- "中国妇女在'95 北京非政府组织妇女论坛",北京:中国妇女出版社,1996