## COMMENTS ON DRAFT GENERAL RECOMMENDATION NO. 35 ON THE GENDER-RELATED DIMENSIONS OF DISASTER RISK REDUCTION IN A CHANGING CLIMATE

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The Office of the Prime Minister (Gender and Child Affairs) is charged with Gender Equality and Equity in Trinidad and Tobago. The Ministry acknowledges the importance and necessity of the Draft General Recommendations No 35 on the Gender-related dimensions of Disaster Risk Reduction in a Changing Climate. The OPM (GCA), maintains the inclusion in its agenda, the phenomena of climate change and its effects on the community, with specific attention to the gender aspect and is open to examining opportunities for enhanced collaboration with major stakeholders.

The document: Draft General Recommendations No 35 is thorough and comprehensive. Gender perspectives are well-represented in the document, in particular health, food and water sanitation, education and information, participation and empowerment, rural settings, gender based violence against women and marriage and family life. Trinidad and Tobago observes the guidelines noted in the document and acknowledges these practices as benchmarks and best practice.