**Replies from the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights (AICHR) to the questionnaire sent by the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences**

Dear Madame Šimonović,

1. There is no need to have a separate legally binding treaty on EVAW. However, it will be helpful if EVAW can be proposed as a Protocol under CEDAW.
2. For ASEAN, because of the ASEAN Regional Plan of Action on EVAW, the suggested recommendations contained therein are implemented, there would be no gap [or the gaps would be minimal].
3. Usually the domestic laws would meet the international HR standard, the full implementation is always lacking. However, each country in ASEAN is not at the same level of development and commitment.
4. Each country in ASEAN is different. As for Thailand, the process of integration of EVAW into and within the legal framework is being studied.
5. As for ASEAN, we need to wait and see how ACWC and other bodies in ASEAN will mobilize each member state to implement RPA/ EVAW and RPA/ EVAC [girl child].

Hope this is useful.

Warm regards,
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