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To: Ms. Louise Arbour
The High Commissioner for Human Rights
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## Dear Ms. Louise Arbour,

Korean Women's Association United(KWAU) was established in 1987 to unite the power of women's organizations working for women's rights and democracy.

KWAU is an umbrella organization composed of 6 regional sections and 28 member organizations, striving to achieve gender equality, democracy, human rights and peaceful reunification in the Korean peninsula by facilitating cooperation and collective actions with progressive women's groups.

KWAU has consultative status with the Economic and Social Council(ECOSOC), and has submitted Korean Shadow Reports On the Implementation of the UN Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women(CEDAW). KWAU has taken various actions for elimination of all forms of violence and discrimination against women and protection of women's human rights.

KWAU prepared an NGO report for the second session of the Human Rights Council's Universal Periodic Review with the following NGOs: Korean Women's Association United, Korea Women's Hotline, Women Migrant Human Rights Center in Korea, Korea Sexual Violence Relief Center, Differently Abled Women United.

And this report is cosigned by the following NGOs: Gwangju Jeonam Women's Association United, Gyeong-gi Women's Associations United, Jeju Association for Women's Right, Jeju Women's Association, Korea Association of Women Theologians, Korea Women's Studies Institute, Korean Women Workers Association, Pohang Women's Association, Taegu Kyungbuk Women's Associations United, The National Association of Parents for Charm-Education, Women Making Peace.

Please refer to our submission for the second session of the HRC's UPR. Thank you.

Yours Sincerely,

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