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Thank you, Chairperson.

Distinguished Delegates. I would like to say that in the symphony of global progress, the stories of indigenous communities weave a path of narrative of resilience and empowerment. Consider the journey of Canada, where historical injustices cast shadows on indigenous lives. Yet, a 27-billion-dollar commitment over 5 years stands as a testament to rectifying disparities in education, health, and housing, echoing a promise of a brighter future. Across the seas in India, the Dalit community, numbering over 200 million confronts systematic discrimination affirming action policies spark hope opening doors to increased representation in education and public sectors, fostering dreams that were once suppressed. Now let's travel to the picturesque landscape of New Zealand, where the Maori population constituting 16% of the nation showcases remarkable progress. The [inaudible] program centered on family well-being not only instils cultural pride but significantly reduces unemployment rate, paving the way for economic opportunities. Though scattered across continents, these stories echo a universal truth: marginalized communities flourish with opportunities and support. Our collective responsibility is to amplify these successes ensuring access to education healthcare and economic opportunities. Let's craft policies that recognize and celebrate diversity of our world, leaving no community behind in the journey towards a more equitable future.

Geneva International Centre for Justice firmly applauds the positive strides made by nations in addressing the long-standing injustices faced by minority communities. As an advocate for human rights, GICJ encourages nations not only to craft policies but to actively engage in an ongoing dialogue with affected communities. We stand to(SPEAKER CUT OFF BY CHAIR)