**POSITION PAPER**

 **Committee:** UNWOMEN

**Country:** Egypt

**Agenda Item:** Addressing Femicide Through Legislative Action and International Cooperation

 As the Egyptian delegate, we are faced with this inhumane problem that concerns not only our country but the entire world. Gender inequality is a major problem that has come from ancient times. Although some still view femicide as a tradition, it is actually a violation of our most important right, the right to life.

As the Egyptian state, We are actively working to address these issues to the best of our ability. We are adjusting our constitutions according to the principles of equality and giving the necessary punishments to the defendants. Egypt acknowledges the existing gender disparities and has taken significant steps to promote women’s rights. The 2014 Egyptian Constitution enshrines gender equality and prohibits all forms of discrimination. Egypt was also one of the first countries to launch a National Strategy for the Empowerment of Egyptian Women 2030. Egypt has launched multiple national campaigns and helplines in partnership with civil society and UN agencies. The National Committee for the Eradication of Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) and the National Strategy for the Elimination of Violence Against Women represent serious institutional efforts. In 2021, Egypt passed laws to protect the identity of survivors and encourage more women to come forward.

Femicide means destroying an entire generation. That is why we are working to provide quotas for women not only in politics and economy but also in every field. However, We believe that this situation will improve significantly through international cooperation. In this case, we are ready to support the initiatives of all countries that support this issue in order to guide our people and to renew our policies and take more productive steps for the future. Femicides and protecting women's rights are among the most important responsibilities. We invite all countries to find a solution