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"E " to the Fourth World Conference on women and to

men and women, in all rights and duties including the enjoyment of equal opportunities in all areas; education, work, health and social benefits. In addition to that my country became party to the international and regional treaties on women including CEDAW and the Human Rights as well as a number of treaties on women's work and employment, and we are committed to implement all the recommendations and outcomes of international conferences and summits on women. With the integration of women advancement affairs and gender equality into all programs of development in the country, women issues gained political attention and support on the highest level. The government has assigned seven national mechanisms to be directly concerned with women and children affairs and work to implement women advancement strategies in accordance with the recommendations of the Beijing Plan of Action and the outcome of the 23rd special session of the GA

The IIAF has accomplished concrete achievements in

In order to encourage and facilitate equal sharing of responsibilities between men and women including caregiving for children, the elderlies, the sick and the disabled, the government has taken a number of legal, social and economic measures and initiatives to alleviate the burdens of caring for the family, most of which are carried by women, thus allowing her to work productively outside the home and encouraging fathers' participation in caregiving.

As for HIVS/AIDS I would like to say that AIDS has not been a source of social or economic burden for the Emirati family as far as we are concerned.

keeping the cases of AIDS to the lowest rate possible, with the government providing required health and medical care for the patients.

In the field of women participating in decision making, the UAE has lately witnessed obvious changes in such issues. Such changes include political

the Palestinian women and people and to speed reaching a peaceful and comprehensive permanent solution to the Palestinian problem.

In conclusion we urge for the continuation of international efforts to enhance the political and financial support aiming to assist millions of women in the developing and poor countries and to improve their living conditions in accordance with the principles of the United Nations.