

## Statement of Bangladesh Delegation Agenda Item 3 6 March 2012

BANGLADESH (SR Housing)

Thank you Mr. President,

The SR on housing has discussed the right to women to husing in different context. She has raised the issue of inheritance. We feel that there is a need to look into situation where there is nothing to inherit at all. How do you perceive a situation where neither a man nor a woman have anything to inherit. We would like to draw attention to one of the most serious causes of violation of women's right to adequate housing, which is poverty.

The Sr has rightly mentioned that The status of women's right to adequate housing is central not only to understanding the female face of poverty worldwide, but also to understand the dynamics of gender inequality itself, both within and outside the home. However, women in the situation of poverty requires greater attention as it has multiple dimensions.

We would have liked the report to adequately address enjoyment of right to adequate housing of women in the context of climate change and migration. We are surprised to see that enough discussion of these two important issues missing from the report. We would like to hear from Ms. Rolnik on this.

Finally we should like to emphasize the importance of international cooperation in realization of the right to adequate housing as a component of an adequate standard of living and on the right to non-discrimination. Thank you.

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