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#### Mr. President,

The Islamic Republic of Iran takes note the report of the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples;

Indigenous peoples, in particular indigenous women and girls around the world still suffer from the consequences of the historical legacies of colonization in their territories. They face discrimination because they have distinct cultures, identities and ways of life and are disproportionately affected by poverty and marginalization in their societies;

Canada and the United States are the usual suspects whenever there is news circulating in the media about human rights violations of the Indigenous and People of African descent in particular the indigenous peoples right to development;

It is matter of concern of the history of discrimination by Canadian authorities against the Indigenous women in Canada wherein they were killed and buried secretly and compulsory sterilized;

As enshrined on the Declaration of the Right to development, all people deserve to enjoy this right as an inalienable right for all including indigenous people which their basic human rights are enshrined in multiple international instruments and forms an important part of human rights law.

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Safeguarding these achievements is nothing less than a global exercise to cherish human dignity.

I thank you, Mr. President.