Dear Colleagues,

We are honored to invite you to join us for our NGO Committee on Sustainable Development-NY meeting during the 60th United Nations Commission on the Status of Women.

Our meeting is co-hosted by the Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka to the United Nations, and will be held on Friday, March 18th from 3:00PM - 5:30PM at the Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka, 820 Second Avenue, 2nd Floor.

Co-Sponsoring organizations are the International Council of Women; Global Family; Africa Development Interchange Network; Muslim American Leadership Alliance-MALA; World Federation of Ukrainian Women’s Organizations; International Council of Jewish Women and Global Family for Love & Peace.

**Domestic Violence Against Women & Girls: A Major Obstacle to Women’s Empowerment**

Welcome
Co-Chairs: Ms. Margo LaZaro & Ms. Yvonne O’Neal

Opening Address
Honorable Ms. Chandrani Bandara Jayasingha
Minister for Women and Child Affairs in Sri Lanka

Keynote Speakers
Honorable Mrs. Sicily K. Kariuki
Cabinet Secretary, the Republic of Kenya
Ministry of Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs

Honorable Mrs. Nana Oye Lithur
Honorable Cabinet Minister for Gender, Children and Social Protection
Republic of Ghana

Honorable Ms. Carolyn B. Maloney
U.S. Congressional Representative of New York District 12

Ms. Lakshmi Puri
Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations
Deputy Executive Director of UN Women

Moderator: Ms. Zainab Zeb Khan
President of the Muslim American Leadership Alliance, MALA

Q & A

Light Refreshments will be served

Seating is limited. RSVP is a must by 12Noon on Thursday, March 17th to:
ngocsdunc@gmail.com

Please include the Name & Affiliation with contact information for each person attending our meeting. Thank you.

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