



## High-level Political Forum 2019

### Voluntary National Reviews: Azerbaijan, Chile, Philippines, Sierra Leone

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#### Statement

*Governments must guarantee the participation of civil society and other social actors in the elaboration of the national voluntary reviews and the 2030 monitoring process. There are some Sustainable Development Goals were left behind in this review which do not allows to adopt measures to end poverty, protect the planet and guarantee that every single person has peace and prosperity, without being subject of discrimination, presecution, criminalization and violence for their social, political, economic and cultural condition; as well as their ethnic or sexual orientation*

1. **[FOR CHILE]** *What is the alternative to include 14 years old and younger people to guarantee integral sexual education which is a corestone in the reduction of pregnancies of girls mothers, considering the recent elimination of the Ministry of Health Gender Program?*
2. **[FOR PHILIPPINES]** *How will the government show commitment to putting into action CSOs' inputs and recommendations, when in the past 4 years it has failed to do this, nor put in place a mechanism inclusive of CSOs at the least?*
3. **[FOR SIERRA LEONE]** *What practical measures will the government put in place to implement policies that address climate change mitigation, violence*

*against women and children including FGM, sexual violence, child marriage, and exploitation of women and children?*

4. **[FOR AZERBAIJAN]** *[Article 192 of the Criminal Code of Azerbaijan criminalizes unregistered operations where does state patronize whether any specific organization can operate or not. In relation to SDG 16, what specific measures state plans to take in order to ensure that non-registered civil society initiatives; especially LGBTI organizations, have access to the design, implementation, and evaluation stages of the development policies to make sure their voices are counted?]*