**Oral statement
Corporate Accountability International
Oct 28, 2020 - Wednesday morning session, Article 8.5**

Thank you Mr. Chair-Rapporteur,

I speak on behalf of Corporate Accountability International and the Global Campaign. Please allow me to speak on Article 8.5.

**8.5:** We welcome the addition of a gender perspective in article 8.5, but it should also mention other vulnerable groups that, given their peculiarities, are marginalised and lack the proper protection that everyone should be entitled to.

***We thus propose the following Amendment to Art. 8.5.*** *States Parties shall adopt measures necessary to ensure that their domestic law provides for adequate, prompt, effective~~,~~* ***~~and gender responsive~~*** *reparations to the victims of human rights* ***violations*** *in the context of business activities****~~, including those of a transnational character~~****, in line with applicable international standards for reparations to the victims of human rights violations****. These reparations should be adequate to the victims' needs and vulnerabilities, such as gender, race, sexual orientation.*** *Where a* ***~~legal or natural person conducting business activities~~******transnational corporation or other business enterprise of transnational character*** *is found liable for reparation to a victim of a human rights* ***~~abuse~~ violation****, such person shall provide reparation to the victim or**compensate the State, if that State has already provided reparation to the victim for the human rights* ***~~abuse~~******violation*** *resulting from acts or omissions for which that* ***~~legal or natural person conducting business activities~~ entity*** *is responsible.*

Thank you for your attention, Mr. Chairman.

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