**PHILIPPINES**

Sixth Session of the Open-Ended Intergovernmental Working Group for the Elaboration

Of an International Legally Binding Instrument on Transnational Corporations and Other Business Enterprises with respect to human rights

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**10.00 to 13.00**

**Statement**

Thank you, Chair- Rapporteur.

The Philippines has the following comments and proposals:

**On Article 16.4** on the groups or sectors facing heightened risks of human rights abuse in the context of business entities, the Philippines suggests the Inclusioon the urban poor and older persons as these groups experience increased vulnerabilities and susceptibility to human rights abuses especially during episodes of disasters, calamities, and pandemic.

Further, recognizing that there are other sectors that might be affected in specific contexts, we suggest inserting **"but not limited to**" after "such as" and before" women, children, persons with disabilities" and so on.

Thank you, Chair- Rapporteur.