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Dear Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights:

Equality Now welcomes the opportunity to submit information in response to Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) request in accordance with Human Rights Council resolution 27/22 (2014) calling for a compilation of good practices and major challenges in preventing and eliminating female genital mutilation (FGM). This submission provides good practice examples of legislation, national policy and regional strategies including education and awareness raising campaigns, and services for women and girls living with FGM or who are at risk of FGM, as well as major challenges in preventing and eliminating FGM including information on health providers practicing FGM.

Thank you for your attention and we hope the information we have provided is useful to your report. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions. We look forward to receiving OHCHR's report.

Yours sincerely,

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