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QUESTION OF: **ADDRESSING THE INCREASED VIOLENCE AGAINST  
WOMEN ONLINE**

The General Assembly,

Grieved by the alarming rise of online violence against women, impacting millions globally (UN women, 2021 report),

Noting with deep concern the growing prevalence of online harassment, cyber stalking, abuse and other types of violence,

Aware of the silencing effect that online violence has on women's human rights defenders, hindering their crucial work,

Deploring the fact that the rapid growth of the world's technological advancement namely the internet, has caused more harm online globally, especially to women,

Fully aware of the grave risks posed to the safety, mental health and fundamental rights resulting from online violence targeting women,

1. Requests the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) to provide technical assistance and training programs in order to help implement the proposed measures to combat online violence against women;
2. Urges the government to strengthen its legal framework to specifically address online violence against women by introducing new laws that clearly define and punish any forms of online violence ensuring consistent enforcement of these laws;

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3. Recommends comprehensive legislation to increase digital literacy programs and to sensitise citizens about violence against women;
4. Further requests leading technology companies to forge a powerful alliance to combat online violence against women by leveraging robust data and evidenced based strategies;
5. Demands help from dedicated helplines to provide immediate assistance to victims of online violence as well as ensuring confidentiality and accessibility;
6. Endorses an intersectional feminist and anti-racist approach in addressing online violence, recognising diverse experiences of women;
7. Encourages the setting up of support systems for victims of online violence by providing psychological counselling and offering legal aid to help victims navigate legal system and seek justice;
8. Invites member states to continue discussing how to protect women's rights online and share their experiences and strategies in combating online violence against women.