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FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN

GERTRUDE MONGELLA, Secretary-General of the Fourth World Conference on Women, discusses a wide range of issues related to women and the forthcoming conference. Women have achieved some progress in a number of areas since the first women's conference was held two decades ago, but there is still much to be done. The theme of the United Nations Decade for Women -- equality, development and peace -- cannot be realized without the empowerment of women and a commitment to redress all different forms of discrimination against them. The Conference will globalize the issue of women's rights to ensure their equal participation in the development of their societies. Preparations for the Beijing conference are being organized on national, regional and international levels.

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