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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, and with reference to the Latter's Note Verbale dated 11 November 2019 regarding the Resolution 39/10 entitled "Preventable maternal mortality and morbidity and human rights in humanitarian settings" adopted by the Human Rights Council, has the honour to transmit herewith the information received from the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Azerbaijan in response to the questions reflected in the above-mentioned Note Verbale.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.

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1. An action plan for "protecting the health of mothers and children" approved by the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan dated 15.09.2019 (decision No.211) and is currently being successfully implemented using the approach based on policies and programs on human rights in the context of humanitarian situation, as well as eliminating preventable mother deaths and cases of illnesses.
2. Clinical protocols and instructions are envisaged to be prepared within the national reproductive strategy in regard with the current issue.
3. Main setbacks in eliminating preventable maternal mortalities and cases of illnesses: *Lack of qualified personnel in the regions.*
4. Unwillingness of experts with residency education to work in regions.
5. Data about pregnant women is entered to the existing pregnancy registry. The fact that they are in the risk group is taken into account, monthly regional meetings are held and the results are discussed.
6. To prevent maternal deaths, each case of death and neonatal illness, as well as, relevant laws, policy and programs are discussed, the causes of deaths are investigated and certain recommendations are made on the measures to be taken by the relevant commissions of the Ministry of Health. Medical staff who made mistakes get administrative penalty and sent for qualification trainings. Monitoring is held for the implementation of state programs for mother and child health and quality provision of birth assistance and neonatal service.
7. Population of the country, including women, teenagers and children are examined, diagnosis is put, relevant out-patient and in-patient treatment is determined for hospitalization within the "Compulsory clinical examination of children" and "Compulsory clinical examination of the population" measures approved by the Presidential Decree dated December 10, 2013 no. 150 to support women and girls subject to the effects of maternity diseases.
8. *Statistic facts and data grouped according to certain components on the cases of illnesses in the country are collected, analyzed and the results of these analysis are submitted to the Ministry of Health.*