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San Diego Delegation Hosting Event During UN 62nd Commission On Status of Women (CSW62)

SAN DIEGO, CA, March 12, 2018 - United Nations Association of San Diego (UNA USA San Diego) is pleased to announce the hosting of its fifth event during the United Nations annual meeting of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) at the UN Headquarters in New York City.

During CSW62, UNA USA San Diego is contributing specifically to the discussion on the empowerment of rural women and girls with a panel on 16 March 2018 at the Armenian Convention Center in New York City titled Defending Our Land: The Extractivist Model and Its Impact on Rural Women presenting experts from UN Women, Pop Culture Hero Coalition and Man Up Campaign. The panel centers on issues of the extractivist industry's unsustainable practices, while seeking lasting solutions with emphasis on gender equality, sustainability and fair economy practices to define together a strategic agenda that supports and strengthens women and their communities in managing their land and water resources. Moreover, the panel seeks to promote responsible and sustainable production that triggers economic growth benefiting impacted communities directly and contributing positively to the world economy at large.

The largest Commission gathering at the United Nations, **UNA USA San Diego yet again is leading its delegation of eighteen**, comprised of men and women from the local community, to gain and share insight of best practices on problems facing women worldwide and how to advance the women's agenda in reducing poverty and inequalities under the overarching global agenda of the Sustainable Development Goals "no one left behind". With more than 10,000 registered attendees, the 62nd Session of CSW is guided by this year's priority theme, *Challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls,* providing civil society an opportunity to engage with member states and United Nations agencies in the advancing of gender equality.

Event Information WEBPAGE

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About UNA-USA San Diego

As a program of the UN Foundation, UNA-USA San Diego is the local Ambassador to and for the United Nations. With its prestigious consultative status to the United Nations, UNA-USA San Diego links the local community with the United Nations and vice versa. The organization's programs & events expand on the understanding of global issues through advocacy and mobilization for actions to support the principles and vital work of the United Nations. Fully volunteer-based, UNA-USA San Diego actively engages partners and stakeholders locally since 1946.