Message from H.E. H. Jablonski, President of the Council of State of the Polish People's Republic

On behalf of the authorities of the Polish People's Republic and the Polish people and on my own behalf I send cordial greetings to the World Conference of the International Women's Year.

Firmly convinced that all efforts in favour of the equality of women under law and of the creation of conditions for their full participation in the life of peoples and the entire human community are the measure of progress, we consider the proclamation of 1975 as International Women's Year to be an important step on the road to the world's social and economic development and the fulfilment of the concepts of humanism and peace.

In Poland we are proud of the great accomplishments of our people in implementing the principles of social justice and in the advancement of women - without precedent in history - in all fields. Nevertheless, we too are inspired by International Women's Year to do what we can to promote the implementation of the existing programme in this domain. The measures adopted on this occasion by the Government of the Polish People's Republic constitute a new stimulus to the increased participation of women in social life and the strengthening of their role in all spheres of human activity.

In hailing the deliberations of the Conference I express the firm conviction that in furthering implementation of the legitimate aspirations of women it will make an important contribution to the achievement of the world's humanistic objectives: to the work of peace, social progress and economic development, and equality and freedom.