

# ECOSOC 2005 High-level Segment 29 June – 1 July 2005

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## **Roundtable 6\* - Gender Equality And The Empowerment Of Women At The Local Level Think Globally – Act Locally**

The discussion at this roundtable will focus on the efforts of local and community level institutions to translate the global and national norms on gender equality and the empowerment of women into concrete local actions. It will also highlight opportunities and challenges for strengthening capacity at the local level to promote equality and the empowerment of women as central to achieving the overall commitments in the Millennium Declaration.

### **CHAIR & OPENING REMARKS:**

**H.E. Mrs. Nilofar Bakhtiar (Pakistan), Advisor to the Prime Minister  
and In charge of Women in Development**

### **LEAD DISCUSSANTS:**

**Rachel Mayanja  
Assistant Secretary-General  
and Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women**

**H.E. Ms. Marcela Suazo  
Minister of the National Institute for Women of Honduras**

**Debbie Budlender  
Principal Researcher, Community Agency for Social Enquiry**

**Noeleen Heyzer  
Executive Director, UNIFEM**

**Date: 29 June 2005  
Time: 4:30 – 6:00 PM  
Location: Conference Room 5**

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