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36. **Ms. Salazar Mujica** (Peru), speaking as a youth delegate, said that the boom in the working age population in Peru afforded new opportunities to invest in the health and education of the young. To be agents of change, young people — especially those in vulnerable situations — needed to have the tools to develop their abilities and creativity and take initiatives.

37. Peru had a series of guidelines and policies on young people, including a national youth development plan drawn up with the help of representatives of civil society organizations. It also had a scholarship programme for poor, unemployed youth and a programme that provided technical training, entrepreneurship assistance and job placement services for young people.

38. It was imperative to implement policies that fostered equality between men and women. Gender equality and women's empowerment remained illusory, both internationally and in Peru. Half of the victims of femicide in Peru were under 30 years of age.

