



United Nations Activity Report

The [Commission on the Status of Women](#) held the parallel event “Abandoned in China – Baby Girls and Elderly Widows” on Monday, 11 March 2019 at the Church Center of the United Nations.

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[Sustainable Development Goals 3, 5, and 17](#) were specific to this session because the session was about forced abortion and maltreatment of women and widows. It also addressed the issues of forced marriage and marriage trafficking due to the small number of women at this time due to the infanticide that occurred in China for decades.

Although China now has pro-natalist policies, there is much work to do there. Nurses can have a profound effect on this issue through education.