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German questions and recommendations to Gabon

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Madam President,

Germany welcomes the delegation of Gabon to the second cycle of the UPR, and wishes to commend the active role taken by the government to promote and fulfil their international human rights obligations in general.

Having said that, Germany would like to make the following recommendations to Gabon:

Germany, referring to the recommendations of the Human Rights Committee and the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women wishes to repeat its recommendation to Gabon in the first cycle of this Review Process, to review its legislation regarding discriminatory practices against women. What legislative measures as well as educational and policy strategies has Gabon undertaken to put an end to polygamy?

Germany recommends to strengthening the fight against ritual Crimes, above all ritual murders. The NGO "Association to Fight Ritual Crimes" registered 62 cases of ritual murder in 2011. Germany is interested in learning about legislative measures that are being taken by the Government of Gabon to put an end to ritual murders.

Finally, Germany recommends improving the living conditions for prisoners.

I thank you Madame President.