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Consideration of the UPR Working Group on Montenegro

Statement by H.E. Miloš Prica, Permanent Representative of
Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations Office at Geneva

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Mr. President,

I would like to welcome the delegation of Montenegro headed by H.E. Mr. Suad Numanović, minister of human and minority rights, to the 15th session of the UPR and to thank him for the very comprehensive presentation of the national report.

Bosnia and Herzegovina would like to extend its appreciation on the Montenegro's progress in meeting the political criteria leading to the successful start of the negotiation process for EU membership in June last year.

My delegation commends Montenegro for adopting numerous legislation in the human rights sphere and becoming the member of important international conventions and protocols in this field. By having an excellent record in human rights protection we are very pleased to see the Republic of Montenegro serving in the Human Rights Council.

Bosnia and Herzegovina welcomes establishing the numerous working bodies at the national level for implementing the policy of protection of human rights, especially Children Rights Council, Council for Persons with Disabilities and Task Force etc.

In that regard, we would like to raise the following questions:

- How much you have improved the situation with the inclusion of disabled children into the educational system and how does this work in practice and
- What measures have been taken to improve the conditions in prisons?

Thank you Mr. President.