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Mr. President,

We welcome the high level delegation of Bangladesh headed by ^{Her} Excellency, Foreign Minister, Dr Dipu Moni, and appreciate the comprehensive presentation of their national report.

We take note that Bangladesh has made a number of amendments to its constitution to strengthen democratic reforms and has continued its effort to implement the recommendations that it has accepted during the first cycle of UPR.

We take note of the measures taken by Bangladesh in regards to the promotion and protection of Human Rights, including establishment of new Independent commissions, ratification of a number of international conventions and enactment of new legislations for the enhancement of civil and political as well as economic and cultural rights of its people.

Measures taken by Bangladesh in regards to freedom of media, expression, and assembly, fighting terrorism, protecting and promoting the rights of vulnerable people such as children, women and people with disability, and raising awareness of people on human rights issues are also to be commended.

To further accelerate the progress in areas of promotion and protection of human rights, my delegation proposes the following recommendations:

- Take further steps to promote and protect the rights of child and woman.
- Take effective measures both in terms of institutional building and raising awareness to combat trafficking in persons.
- Sustain the achievements in reducing child and infant mortality.

Thank you,

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