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**Statement by Romania
Working Group on UPR
- examination of Bangladesh – April 29, 2013 -**

Mr. President,

The delegation of Romania welcomes the delegation of Bangladesh and thanks for the presentation of its second UPR report.

We commend the authorities of Bangladesh for important decisions taken in the last years in the field of human rights, such as ratifying the Rome Statute on the International Criminal Court and adopting a series of policies with a clear positive impact in the areas of child labour and protection of domestic workers.

With a view to encouraging further progress in the promotion and protection of human rights, Romania would like to recommend the following:

- 1) that the Government of Bangladesh consider the abolishment of the death penalty;
- 2) that measures are further taken aiming at women's empowerment.

Thank you, Mr. President.