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Bangladesh intervention on the UPR of Burkina Faso

My delegation welcomes the Honorable Minister for Human Rights and Civil Promotion and appreciates the presentation of the national report to the Working Group of UPR.

My delegation has noted that many progresses have taken place in some noteworthy areas of promotion and protection of human rights in Burkina Faso, despite the challenging state of its economy. In particular, we welcome its becoming party to CRPD, significant progress made with respect to the right to health and adoption of the National Health Development Plan 2011–2020 in compliance with recommendation accepted during its first cycle of UPR.

Mr. President, Burkina Faso, like many other developing countries are also challenged and constrained by many impediments. Treaty bodies have expressed concern about the situation of women, child mortality and primary and secondary education. CEDAW recommended the country to establish a comprehensive strategy, including clear goals and timetables, to address the situation and to strengthen understanding of the equality of women and men.

We hope that the country will be able to overcome these challenges and constraints with strengthened efforts and in cooperation and assistance from the international community.

Thank you.