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Statement by the Delegation of Nepal, at an interactive dialogue with the delegation of the Federal Republic of Germany during the 16th session of the UPR Working Group, 25 April 2013

Mr. President,

Nepal welcomes the delegation of the Federal Republic of Germany to the UPR led by H. E. the Federal Government Commission of Luminity and Humanitarian and congratulates for the comprehensive presentation of the national report that highlights the developments since the first review.

My delegation appreciates the promulgation of a number of new legislation and establishment of new institutions for the improvements of the human rights situation. The adoption of National Action Plan to implement the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities as well as significant efforts made in the areas of the rights of women and children are commendable.

My delegation takes note with satisfaction the commitment that the Federal Government would continue to strive to achieve a level of expenditure of 0.7% of the gross national income on development aid by 2015.

While appreciating the continued commitment of the Government of Germany for the advancement of human rights, my delegation would like to make the following recommendations for its consideration:

- 1. Continue efforts to safeguard the rights of all segments of society including foreigners by addressing all forms of hatred and discrimination.
- 2. Take concrete measures to deliver on its international development commitments.

Thank you.