

UPR17/Jordan
Statement by Slovakia
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Mr President,

Slovakia thanks the delegation of Jordan for the comprehensive overview of the human rights situation in their country with focus on developments since the previous UPR cycle. We take note of the constitutional amendments that have been the basis for positive reform measures and invite the Government to their full application.

While recognizing efforts aimed at strengthening protection of women, including withdrawal of reservation to Art. 15 para 4 of the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, more efforts are needed to address status of women and their rights.

We would like to make following recommendations to the Government of Jordan:

- 1. **To consider withdrawing their reservations to articles 9 para 2, and 16 para 1 (c), (d) and (g) of the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women;**
- 2. **To ensure proper and effective investigation of all crimes against women, including those with "honour" element;**
- 3. **To provide for training for law enforcement officials dealing with violence against women and to ensure effective protection of victims.**

Thank you.