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17^{TH} SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP REVIEW OF THE STATE OF MEXICO

Address by H.E. Dr. Milos Prica, Permanent Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the UN

Mr. President,

I would like to welcome H.E. Jose Antonio Meade and delegation of Mexico and thank them for the presentation of the national report.

We note with satisfaction that, in line with the recommendations received during the first cycle of the UPR, the Government of Mexico has ratified several international human rights protocols, such as the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocol of the Convention of the Rights of the Child. We congratulate Mexico for the 2011 reform that gave the constitutional rank to international human rights treaties, especially for the role that the Supreme Court played in that process.

In the spirit of constructive engagement and cooperation prevalent in the UPR, Bosnia and Herzegovina wishes to make the following recommendations to the Government of Mexico:

- To ratify the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights,
- To implement the CEDAW recommendations for eliminating the obstacles preventing women from participating in state and municipal political life and,
- To implement the CERD and the CEDAW recommendations on adequate and accessible health services in order to lower the high maternal and infant mortality among the indigenous population.

Thank you, Mr. President.