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UPR OF SENEGAL – INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE

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INTERVENTION BY INDIA

Mr. President,

India warmly welcomes the delegation of Senegal led by *Member of Justice Mr. SIDIKI KABA* and thanks the delegation for its National Report and presentation made today.

2. We take positive note of the advances made by Senegal since its first UPR. In particular, India appreciates ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the establishment of a National Observatory of Places of Deprivation of Liberty and the establishment of a National Unit to combat trafficking in persons, especially women and children, and in this regard the adoption of the National Action Plan for 2012-2013.

3. We commend Senegal's commitment to gender equality and hope that the National Observatory on Gender Parity which started its work in 2011 will further the objective of advancing the rights of women and further enhance their participation in public affairs. We take positive note of Senegal's commitment to respect human rights as one of its priorities and appreciate Senegal's willingness to engage in exchanges and cooperation with other countries at the bilateral, regional and multilateral level.

4. We recommend that Senegal continue its efforts in combating child destitution and provide care for all street children. We recommend that Senegal takes measures to further improve access to education especially to women and children.

5. We wish the delegation of Senegal the very best in their future endeavours. I thank you Mr. President.
