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UPR of SENEGAL

Mr. President,

Slovenia would like to thank the delegation of Senegal for their UPR report, its presentation today and their commitment to the UPR process.

Slovenia notes with appreciation Senegal's commitment to improving the protection and promotion of human rights and commends it for having been a party to most of the core international human rights instruments. While we acknowledge the progress made since its first review, some issues raised during that review have not yet been addressed satisfactorily:

The situation regarding the juvenile justice continues to be of concern to Slovenia as according to the CAT report there are still not enough specialized judges and courts to meet all the challenges related to children's rights. Slovenia **recommends** to Senegal that a juvenile justice system be set up and more judges for juvenile courts be trained.

Following reports about allegations of intimidation, threats, physical attacks and arbitrary detention of human rights defenders and journalists, Slovenia **recommends** that Senegal undertake the necessary measures to protect the rights of human rights defenders and journalists as well as to protect the rights to freedom of assembly and of expression.

Thank you.