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UPR of AFGHANISTAN

Mr. President,

Slovenia welcomes the distinguished delegation of Afghanistan to the UPR Working group and thanks them for their presentation today. Slovenia commends Afghanistan for ratifying the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and its Optional Protocol.

We note with appreciation the efforts taken to improve the status of women in the country, including the review of the legislation comparatively with the international standards and the adoption of the Law on Elimination of Violence against Women.

We also welcome the implementation of recommendation regarding children affected by armed conflict, including by signing the comprehensive Action Plan between the Government of Afghanistan and the UN to halt child recruitment and other violations against children among the Afghan National Security Forces.

To further encourage Afghanistan in its endeavours, we would like to **recommend** to Afghanistan:

1. to strengthen its efforts in eliminating discrimination and violence against women, also by awareness-raising of the general public and training of officials in judiciary and law enforcement at all levels that will include human rights of women;
2. to take all the necessary steps to ensure the effective implementation of the Action Plan.

Thank you.