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UPR 2 Cycle, Review of Yemen

Statement by Montenegro – H.E. Ambassador Zorica Maric-Djordjevic, Permanent Representative to WTO and Special Representative to the UN Human Rights Council

Montenegro warmly welcomes distinguished (head of delegation) and the Delegation of Yemen.

We welcome the efforts of the Government of Yemen made between two UPR cycles and expressed commitment to the establishment of a new, civil and democratic State.

We share the concerns of the HR Committee pertaining to the imposition of the death penalty on persons below 18 years of age. We would like to ask distinguished delegation to elaborate on the action, if any, to the Penal Code in order to reduce the number of capital punishments and to abolish death penalty for offences committed by minors.

Montenegro makes following recommendations to the Government of Yemen:

- to establish an official moratorium on the use of the death penalty with a view to abolishing the death penalty;
- to enhance cooperation with the UN treaty bodies system and special procedures, through implementation of the recommendations of the treaty bodies and the universal periodic review.