Permanent Mission of Montenegro to the United Nations and other International Organizations

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Statement by H.E. Zorica Maric Djordjevic Montenegro

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

We appreciate that Dominica extended a standing invitation to all human rights special procedures during the review period.

Montenegro acknowledges efforts made by the Government of Dominica to implement the National Policy and Action Plan for Gender Equality and Equity and we encourage your Government to continue with its implementation.

Montenegro notes the concerns of the International Labour Organization Committee of Experts about the necessity of legal measures in order to ensure that hazardous work is prohibited for all persons less than 18 years of age. Could you please discuss the activities of your Government to change or amend that part of the legislation?

Finally, we regret that the Dominican national UPR report has not been submitted to fully analyse it in details but none the less Montenegro recommends Dominica:

- 1) To ratify the Second Optional protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty;
- 2) To ratify the Convention against Torture or other Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.

Thank you Mr. President.