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Mr. President,

My delegation welcomes the delegation of Norway, and thanks the honorable minister and his team for the comprehensive presentation of the national report.

The national report reflects many important legislative and institutional developments aiming at providing further protection and promotion for human rights. My delegation notes with satisfaction the measures taken by the Norwegian Government to address discrimination based on ethnic background, including the Action Plan to Promote Equality and Prevent Ethnic Discrimination (2009–2012), and in this respect, my delegation would appreciate elaboration from the Norwegian delegation on the main achievements and the lessons learnt while implementing the action plan. The steps taken by Norway to address the challenges it faces related to hate crime; and hate speech directed against certain minority groups are commendable, as well as the high priority given to combat domestic

violence. The continuous commitment of Norway to the international efforts in the area of Human Rights is also of particular importance.

Mr. President, My delegation would like to present to Norway the following recommendations:

- 1. To intensify efforts to combat hate-crime, and domestic violence, through further thorough social and psychological studies and adequate legislative measures.
- 2. To give the full necessary consideration, in it's international cooperation activities in the field of Human Rights with other countries, to aligning it's efforts and contributions with the priorities, policies, and national plans of the concerned countries in a spirit of genuine dialogue.

Thank you