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Thank you Mr. President.

My delegation would like to warmly welcome the delegation of Norway.

Mr. President, the delegation of Norway actively participates in the human rights council, and their engagement has fostered an ambiance of positivity in our engagements. They also support others in their efforts in promoting and protecting human rights in their countries.

As Norway strives to support other countries, it also tries to uphold and defend the human rights of its own citizens. We welcome the action of the government of Norway for becoming a state party to the CRPD. However, we regret that they have not yet ratified the Convention on the rights of migrant workers and their families.

Though Norway has many highly commendable achievements, there remains some scopes for further attention. Many treaty bodies like CERD, HR Committee and CESCR mentioned the need for preventing discrimination against immigrants. HR Committee also regretted the persistence of xenophobic, anti-Semitic and Islamophobic statements.

In view of the above, we recommend that the Government of Norway,

- 1. Continues its efforts to support developing countries in their fight against poverty through its development assistances.
- 2. Takes effective measures to curb discrimination and negative attitudes against migrants in Norway.

And

3. Takes effective actions to curb over-sexualization of women in media.