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Mr. President,

Let me join others in welcoming the Turkish delegation, led by Deputy Prime Minister H.E. Bülent Arınç, and thank them for the comprehensive national report.

Brunei Darussalam congratulates Turkey for the significant progress achieved with regards to the institutionalization in the field of human rights which was established to strengthen the safeguards for human rights in the country.

We commend the government's measures aimed at promoting gender equality, as well as ensuring women's welfare, health, and education. We are also encouraged by the increase in female participation in the parliament and the work force. In this regard, Brunei Darussalam **recommends** Turkey to continue its efforts in the promotion and protection of women's rights through the implementation of the various national action plans.

Thank you.