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Bangladesh statement on Universal Periodic Review of USA

Drawing upon its Bill of Rights, the USA has commendably succeeded in epitomizing the core values of democracy ensuring civil - political rights of its citizens. It is therefore, generally expected that the country would also deliver on promoting social, cultural and religious rights without any discrimination.

We commend USA as one of the major destination countries for migrants and for its initiatives at the international level to protect migrants in crisis situation.

We noted concerns expressed by many treaty bodies on different issues. It seems, thus, there is scope to further address incidents of racial discrimination, hate speech, and racial profiling against migrants, people of African descent and religious minorities. We therefore, recommend, that USA, -

1. Takes administrative and legal measures against perpetrators of racially motivated acts;
2. Combats racial profiling, as urged by the HR Committee and CERD;
3. Continues to actively participate in the climate change negotiations for a strong legally binding outcome of the UNFCCC process; and
4. Raises the level of ODA to achieve the UN target of 0.7 percent of GDP.