

Permanent Mission of Montenegro to the United Nations and other international organizations

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UPR 2 Cycle, Review of Oman

Statement by Montenegro

Thank you Mr. President.

Montenegro warmly welcomes (Head of delegation) and the Delegation of the Sultanate of Oman.

Montenegro commends significant progress that Oman has made with regards to human rights protection between two cycles. In this regard, we particularly welcome that protection of children has been raised to a higher level through establishment of The Child Welfare Centre and through adoption of a number of laws and decrees protecting the rights of children. We also note with appreciation the endeavors to ensure that all children enjoy equal educational opportunities without discrimination.

We share the concerns expressed by CEDAW about the absence of a specific law on violence against women, including on domestic violence. Could the delegation elaborate on the measures that the Government has planned undertake with a view to explicitly prohibit de jure and de facto discrimination against women in all areas of life?

Montenegro would like to offer the following recommendations to the Sultanate of Oman:

1. to ratify the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR);
2. to ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the ICCPR, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty.

As a part of the Troika for Oman, we wish Oman every success in implementation of the recommendations and look forward to a fruitful cooperation with the delegation.