

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

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UPR 2 Cycle, Review of Denmark

Statement by Montenegro

Montenegro warmly welcomes distinguished (head of delegation) and the Delegation of Denmark.

Montenegro commends the Government of Denmark for its efforts toward maintaining the human rights standards reached and addressing challenges when they occur. Furthermore, we welcome the steps undertaken in order to improve the legislative framework with regards to the promotion and protection of rights of children, persons with disabilities and LGBTI.

We noted several ongoing activities undertaken by the relevant Danish authorities to combat hate crimes, in particular activities on establishing new monitoring system of Danish National Police and revision of the guidelines for the police and prosecution service on the handling of hate crime cases. However, the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination was concerned about the increase in xenophobia, political propaganda targeting non-citizens and racist publications in the media. What activities have been undertaken by the Government of Denmark to develop a national action plan on racism, as recommended by CERD?

Montenegro makes following recommendations to the Government of Denmark:

1. To ratify the ICPED;
2. To ratify Optional Protocol to the ICESCR.

Thank you.