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Statement of the Republic of Korea

Thank you, Mr. President.

The Republic of Korea commends Namibia for its sincere follow-up to the previous review. We note Namibia's efforts to advance gender equality at all levels, especially through the National Gender Policy, the zebra system and so on. Also, Namibia's cooperation with the ILO on the elimination of child labor is well-noted.

In the hope that Namibia will continue to build on this progress, we **recommend** that :

1. To eliminate all forms of gender-based violence, Namibia redouble its efforts to enforce the relevant legislation such as the Combating of Rape Act, and continue the ongoing efforts to address the root causes and contributing factors of the violence.
2. Namibia consider revising the Married Persons Equality Act of 1996 in a way that eliminates all discriminatory provisions against women, including those affecting marriage, land ownership and inheritance rights.
3. Namibia expedite the adoption of pending bills such as the Child Care and Protection Act, with a view to ensuring better protection for children against all types of violence and abuses, including trafficking and exploitation.

Finally, we wish Namibia all the best in its second UPR review.

Thank you, Mr. President. /End/