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**RECOMMENDATIONS DELIVERED BY THE REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA DURING THE 44TH SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP ON THE REVIEW OF THE STATE REPORT OF GERMANY – THURSDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2023**

**Thank you Mr President,**

The Gambia extends a very warm welcome to the distinguished delegation of Germany and and congratulate them for presenting the human rights situation of their country to the Council.

We commend Germany for its expanded efforts on children’s rights, particularly the enhancement of welfare services and the promotion of inclusive education for children with disabilities.

**Mr President,**

While recognizing the efforts and commitments being made by the government of Germany, my delegation would like to make the following recommendations ;

1. To address and prevent racism, hate crimes, xenophobic attacks and other forms of extremism targetting ethnic and religious minorities, to forster a society of tolerance and inclusivity
2. To enhance services for persons with disabilities focusing on improved access to medical and educational services to ensure their full inclusion and participation in society
3. To codify a clear definition of domestic abuse in line with international standard and expand the statury definition of sexual harrasment to provide a comprehensive protection framework..

**Mr President,**

In conclusion, The Gambia wishes the distinguished delegation of Germany a successful review and fruitful deliberations.

**Thank you.**