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

**UPR 44th Session - Review of Germany**

**Statement by Montenegro**

**Geneva, 9 November 2023**

Mr. President,

Montenegro welcomes the distinguished delegation of Germany.

We commend the Germany’s long-standing policy to the protection and promotion of human rights and freedoms, domestically and worldwide.

In line with its values-based, human rights-focused and feminist-oriented foreign policy, we welcome Germany's proactive and meaningful engagement with the Human Rights Council. As well as in other UN bodies and international fora. And that with the aim of strengthening respect for universal human rights.

Montenegro recommends to Germany:

1. To strengthen awareness-raising efforts to promote respect for human rights and tolerance for diversity and to eradicate stereotypical prejudices.
2. To strengthen its efforts to decrease the gender pay gap, and enforce the Pay Transparency Law.
3. To ensure a sufficient number of qualified caregivers for older persons.

We wish Germany a successful UPR cycle.

I thank you.