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**RECOMMENDATIONS DELIVERED BY THE REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA DURING THE 45TH SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP ON THE REVIEW OF THE STATE REPORT OF BELIZE MONDAY 29 JANUARY 2024 -14 :30-18PM**

**Thank you Mr President,**

The Gambia extends a warm welcome to the delegation of Belize and thank them for their interaction with the Human Rights Council today.

We commend Belize for its commitment to climate action, including efforts to reduce emissions, protect coastlines, and engage in global climate initiatives

**Mr President,**

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

1. Enhance protection for vulnerable groups, including indigenous communities, refugees, and migrants, ensuring access to services and preventing discrimination
2. Strengthen the implementation of existing human rights commitments, including comprehensive awareness campaigns, training for law enforcement and judicial officers
3. Collaborate with civil society and international bodies to monitor and address human rights issues

**Mr President,**

In conclusion, The Gambia wishes the distinguished delegation of Belize a successful review.

Thank you.