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**Statement by Slovakia**

25 January 2024

Mr. President,

Slovakia welcomes the establishment of a royal **committee (2019) to align national legislation with international treaties** with the aim **to modernize Jordan's political system** and achieve a comprehensive democratic transition and promote the participation of young people and women in political life.

Slovakia is **concerned** about persisting legal discrimination of women and obstacles to the freedom of expression and the media freedom. Even **amended Cybercrime act** comprises provisions that deviate from international human rights standards and could lead to restrictions on freedom of expression, both online and offline.

**Slovakia recommends** to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan:

1. to ensure **full respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, including access to information, in the fight against cybercrime**, in line with Jordan's international obligations;
2. to **increase women's participation in decision-making processes** at the family, community and national level; and
3. to amend legislation with the aim to **allow** Jordanian **women to pass on their nationality to their children** and strengthen legal pathways for all children to acquire a nationality.

Thank you.