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**Statement by the Delegation of the Kingdom of Bhutan**

Bhutanwelcomes the delegation to the fourth UPR and thanks the delegation for the report.

We welcome the measures to promote and protect human rights, including the establishment of the National Advisory Council on Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law, adoption of the law on electronic monitoring and the National Strategy for the Empowerment of Women and Girls (2021–2025).

We note the efforts in promoting the rights of women through measures such as the National Equity and Gender Equality Strategy, amendment of the Criminal Code, the Criminal Procedure Code and the Labour Code, and strengthening of the system for protection of victims of gender-based violence. We also note the efforts in promoting women’s participation in decision-making through the implementation of the Parity Act.

We **recommend** Senegal to continue its efforts towards ending forced of early marriages and eradicating violence against women. We also **recommend** Senegal to continue its efforts in reducing prison overcrowding.

We wish Senegal a successful review.

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