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**Statement by the delegation of Nepal**

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Madam Vice-President,

Nepal welcomes the delegation of Republic of Senegal to the fourth cycle of UPR and thanks them for the presentation of national report.

We appreciate the legislative and administrative reform measures taken since 2018, particularly the adoption of National Strategy for the Empowerment of Women and Girls.

We wish Senegal a successful review with the following recommendations:

1. Continue efforts to strengthen national human right institution in conformity with the Paris Principles.
2. Consider early ratification of second optional protocol to ICCPR.
3. Intensify efforts to provide increased access to education for girls and women in rural areas.
4. Sustain efforts to combat gender-based violence.

I thank you, Madam.