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

**Statement by Montenegro**

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Montenegro thanks the delegation of Cambodia for the presentation of its National Report.

We recognize aspirations of the Government to reinforce laws and other legislative solutions aiming to improve overall conditions for the promotion and protection of human rights. Strengthening public institutions is of key importance towards successful implementation of these measures in law and in practice.

Montenegro encourages further steps on raising awareness on protection of women and children through tailor made campaigns with the focus on systemic prevention of violence. In that vein, we welcome the work on the implementation plan of the National Policy for the Child Protection System for the period 2019-2029.

Montenegro recommends to the Government of Cambodia:

1. To adopt a comprehensive law covering all principles and provisions of the Convention on the Rights of the Child;
2. To ensure effective enforcement of the Law on Suppression of Human Trafficking and Sexual Exploitation.

Thank you.