

Statement by

**the Republic of Slovenia**

at the

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Mr President,

Slovenia commends the delegation of Cambodia for its commitment to the UPR process.

We note the measures to achieve gender equality in the land sector and promoting women's participation in activities reducing disaster management risks. However, we remain worried about the high unemployment of women in rural areas, limited access to appropriate sexual and reproductive health services and high numbers of child marriages.

Slovenia would like to **recommend** to Cambodia to ensure that cases of discrimination and violence against women are thoroughly investigated, perpetrators held accountable and victims provided with protection and remedies.

We would like to express our concern about the obstructions of fundamental freedoms - freedom of expression, media freedom, and right to participate in political life. We would like to encourage Cambodia to ensure a free civic space for human rights defenders, political opposition leaders and journalists to carry out their activities without impediments.

Thank you.