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

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Bhutanwelcomes the delegation and thanks the delegation for the updates.

We commend Vietnam for its commitment in implementing the recommendations from the last UPR cycles and note the significant progress and the submission of its voluntary mid-term report.

The enactment of numerous legislations, increase in the GDP by 25%, adoption of the National Strategy on Gender Equality (2021-2030) and the amendment of the Law on Domestic Violence Prevention and Control are highly noteworthy.

We also note the achievements in health service delivery through strategic investments and **recommend** **Vietnam to continue its efforts in ensuring access to healthcare services, in particular rural and remote populations.**

We also **recommend** **Vietnam to strengthen policies focusing on social security and protection of vulnerable groups.**

We wish Vietnam a successful UPR.

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