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**RECOMMENDATIONS DELIVERED BY THE REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA DURING THE 47TH SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP ON THE REVIEW OF THE STATE REPORT OF ALBANIA- MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2024 -AFTERNOON**

**Thank you, Mr. President,**

The Gambia warmly welcomes the delegation from Albania and expresses appreciation for their constructive engagement with the Human Rights Council today.

We commend Albania for its impressive efforts in the anti-corruption crusade, leading to convictions of high level public officials and officials of the judicial system. We welcome the adoption of a legislation aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions in alignment with the Paris Agreement. We note with concern persistent reports of racist hate speech and the human rights implications against migrants that may result from the agreement for the reception and detention of migrants from third countries in Albania.

While recognizing this significant achievement, my delegation would like to make the following recommendations:

1. To strengthen efforts to combat domestic violence, in line with the recommendations of the CEDAW Commitee, by ensuring the effective enforcement of relevant laws and enhancing support services for survivors.
2. Empower the Commissioner for Protection against Discrimination to promote the full implementation of anti-discrimination and anti-hate speech legislation, and ensure effective legal remedies for victims.
3. To strengthen and ensure the effective enforcement of laws prohibiting prenatal sex selection, including amending Law No. 8876 on Reproductive Health and developing programs that raise awareness of the value of the girl child.

My delegation wishes the distinguished delegation from Albania a successful review.

**Thank you.**