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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 THE COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA- THURSDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2024 -MORNING**

**Thank you Mr President,**

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

My delegation commends Dominica for its strong commitment to environmental sustainability, particularly its efforts to promote climate resilience. We recognize Dominica's leadership in integrating climate adaptation into national policies and its focus on protecting vulnerable communities from the impacts of climate change.

My delegation would like to recommend to the Commonwealth of Dominica to:

1. Reduce case backlogs and improve access to justice by enhancing legal aid services
2. Strengthen enforcement of gender-based violence laws by ensuring protection for survivors, improving support services, and increasing accountability through specialized training for law enforcement and judiciary personnel.
3. Enact legislation guaranteeing the rights of refugees and asylum-seekers, in line with its international obligations.

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

Thank you.