**U.S. Statement at the Universal Periodic Review of Norway**

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**Delivered by Ambassador Michèle Taylor**

* Thank you, Mr. President.
* The United States welcomes the delegation from Norway.
* We applaud Norway for its dedication to advancing human rights globally, including its robust commitment to championing human rights defenders.
* In the spirit of constructive engagement, we recommend that Norway:

1. Take further steps to ensure proper investigation of and accountability for acts of gender-based violence, including spousal abuse, and identify and address issues that may prevent convictions of offenders.
2. Implement recommendations from the Norwegian National Human Rights Institution to eliminate discrimination against Sami [*SAHM-ee*], including relating to land rights, history, and language.
3. Commit all government ministries to implement their respective action plans to counter antisemitism and other forms of ethnic or religious intolerance, including anti-Muslim hatred, and ensure law enforcement works to prevent, prosecute, and keep adequate statistics regarding increased threats and violence toward Jewish and Muslim communities.

* I thank you.