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Mr. Vice - President,

Azerbaijan extends a very warm welcome to the distinguished delegation of The Gambia and thanks the delegation for presenting the national report.

We welcome The Gambia’s commitment to the UPR process and the progress made since the last review.

We commend efforts made by the Government of the Republic of The Gambia in strengthening its legal framework, institutions, and policies in the field of human rights, including the enactment of the Persons with Disabilities Act in 2021 and the adoption of the National Health Policy 2021-2030.

Azerbaijan offers the following recommendations to The Gambia:

1. Continue efforts to promote social inclusion and provide support for persons with disabilities;
2. Take further actions to combat any forms of discrimination and enforce anti-discrimination norms across multiple sectors;
3. Continue enhancing transparency and accountability in the delivery of public services through the effective implementation of an e-governance system.

We wish The Gambia a successful review.

Thank you.