**48TH SESSION OF THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW WORKING GROUP:**

**REVIEW OF THE GAMBIA**

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**STATEMENT BY BRUNEI DARUSSALAM**

Thank you, Mr. / Madam President / Vice President.

Brunei Darussalam warmly welcomes the delegation of The Gambia to Geneva and thanks them for the presentation of their National Report.

We welcome ongoing developments on the Mental Health Bill, and efforts to fulfil the National Health Policy 2021-2030, which have included the construction of new health facilities.

In the spirit of constructive engagement, we propose two (2) recommendations:

1. Enhance efforts to increase mental health literacy and care, such as the provision of mental health information and services; and
2. Further strengthen measures to improve access to education in rural areas.

Mr. / Madam President / Vice President,

Brunei Darussalam wishes The Gambia a successful review.

Thank you.

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