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**STATEMENT**

**OF**

**PERMANENT MISSION OF UGANDA TO THE UNITED NATIONS IN GENEVA**

**AT THE**

**THE 4TH UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW OF GAMBIA**

**AT**

**48TH SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP**

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Thank you, Madam Vice President,

We warmly welcome the Gambian delegation led by the Hon. Minister of Justice and congratulate the Government on the presentation of 4th UPR Report.

We commend the government of Gambia for positive milestones in implementing the previous recommendations.

In the spirit of constructive dialogue, we would like to make 3 recommendations.

1. Continue to put in place measures to eliminate early child marriages and protect girls from sexual and gender based-violence.
2. Strengthen the legal framework and policies to guarantee equal rights of men and women in marriage.
3. Continue to take measures to foster inclusive development by implementing policies that empower women and the youth, to meaninfully participate in and benefit from national development initiatives.

we wish our Gambian brothers and sisters a successful review.

***Thank you!***