

**ZAMBIA’S STATEMENT DURING THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW OF SLOVENIA**

**28th JANUARY 2025**

**Mr. President,**

Zambia extends a warm welcome to the esteemed delegation of Slovenia to the fourth cycle of the UPR. We congratulate them for the presentation of their national report.

We note with appreciation the efforts made by Slovenia in promoting environmental rights including setting new targets for renewable energy and emission reductions.

In the spirit of constructive engagement, Zambia wishes to offer the following recommendations:

1. Ensure that women and girls belonging to disadvantaged groups, such as persons with disabilities, have affordable access to healthcare;
2. Adopt targeted measures for the economic empowerment of women, address the risk of the feminization of poverty and mainstream gender into its social inclusion strategies;
3. Introduce legislation to make pre-primary education free for all categories of children.

In conclusion, we wish Slovenia a successful review.

I thank you Mr. President.