**37th Session of the Universal Periodic Review Working Group**

**Universal Periodic Review of Nepal**

**Statement by**

**the Co-operative Republic of Guyana**

***Geneva, January 21, 2021***

Thank you, Madam President,

Guyana welcomes the Delegation of Nepal and thanks them for their presentation.

We applaud Nepal’s efforts to comprehensively respond to recommendations received during its second cycle UPR and note that these are being implemented through dedicated National Human Rights Action Plans.

We commend efforts being made to create a safer environment for women and girls and recommend that Nepal:

* expedite the appointment of the Commissioner on Women’s Rights and provide the National Women’s Rights Commission with a complaint mechanism and the authority to issue binding rulings;
* adopt comprehensive anti-discrimination legislation that include a definition of discrimination against women, encompassing direct and indirect discrimination and multiple intersecting forms of discrimination

We wish Nepal a successful Review.

Thank You.