**Statement by Bulgaria**

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***Review of Denmark***

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Bulgaria warmly welcomes the distinguished delegation of Denmark.

We would like to thank for the comprehensive national report and the presentation today. Bulgaria commends the overall efforts made by Denmark to implement the recommendations that were accepted during the second cycle.

We appreciate that in line with the recommendation made by Bulgaria in the second UPR, Denmark adopted in 2018 and subsequently amended in 2020 the Act on Prohibition against Discrimination on Grounds of Disability.

Bulgaria would like to highlight the leadership and commitment of Denmark in the advancement of the women, peace and security agenda. We applaud that the country is among the highest-ranking countries in terms of equality of women and men.

With a view to further improving the human rights situation in Denmark, Bulgaria wishes to offer the following recommendations:

1) Adopt a comprehensive national disability action plan with specific and measurable targets for the implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

2) Adopt a long-term strategy and action plan aiming at parity between women and men in the public and private spheres by 2030, in addition to the annual gender equality action plans.

 We wish the delegation of Denmark a successful review!

Thank you.