**Statement by Turkmenistan**

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Thank you, Madame President,

Turkmenistan extends its warm welcome to the distinguished delegation of the Kingdom of Denmark to the UPR Working Group session and thanks it for the updates on the implementation of previous UPR Cycle Recommendations.

Turkmenistan welcomes efforts taken by the Danish Government in strengthening the promotion and protection of human rights, and its inclusive approach to human rights issues.

We took note with appreciation the efforts of the Danish Government to combat domestic violence through implementation of several National action plans.

Along with that, Turkmenistan recommends:

1. to continue its development assistance to the developing countries for better achieve the right to development as part of the sustainable development agenda,
2. to step up efforts to eliminate discrimination faced by minority groups, non-citizens and refugees, especially with regard to employment, education, housing, health services, and access to justice,
3. to enhance efforts to promote tolerance and intercultural understanding with the aim of eliminating discrimination against minorities.

In conclusion, Turkmenistan wishes the Danish Government a successful implementation of UPR recommendations of the 3rd cycle.

I thank you.

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