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Madam President,

We would like to thank the delegation of Namibia for their comprehensive and informative National Report.

We welcome Namibia’s efforts in their struggle against poverty and food security, in spite of long-term drought and COVID-19 pandemic.

We noted with pleasure the Namibia School Feeding Policy and associated implementation action plan for term 2019-2024.

We also welcome Namibia’s initiative to establish “Women’s Peace Centre” in Windhoek last year as an acknowledgement of the link between peace and gender equality.

Turkey **recommends** Namibia,

- To continue expanding access to food and educational opportunities for all children, particularly those from food-insecure households,

- To give top priority to tackling the shortage of affordable housing with access to water, electricity and sanitation,

- To finalize *Neckartal* Dam construction with supplementary irrigation projects for safe and clean water use of citizens and for needs of small-scaled farmers, and to finalize other government projects.

Turkey wishes Namibia all success during its 3rd UPR.

Thank you.