**Statement by Bulgaria**

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President,

Bulgaria warmly welcomes the delegation of Tanzania and thanks for the presentation of the national report.

Bulgaria wishes to commend the Tanzania for the progress that has been made in enhancing the protection and promotion of human rights since the second UPR.

We acknowledge that the Commission for Human Rights and Good Governance has retained its Status “A”, accredited in 2018, and that its budget has kept increasing over the recent years.

However, we recognise the remaining challenges, especially due to the COVID-19 pandemic, both economically and socially. We note that due to the closing of schools, there had been limited learning due to poor access to digital spaces.

Bulgaria would like to make the following recommendations to Tanzania:

1. Further develop the National Inclusive Education Strategy, especially for children with disabilities and ensure their access to quality education, infrastructure, assistive devices and learning materials;
2. Review laws and policies to ensure that pregnant girls or young mothers can re-enter the formal education system;
3. Take further steps to effectively address discrimination and violence against persons, including children, with albinism.

We wish the Delegation of Tanzania a successful review!

Thank you!