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**Recommendations by Canada for St. Vincent and the Grenadines’ UPR**

Thank you Madam President,

Canada welcomes the delegation of St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and the country’s progress since the last review cycle. In particular, Canada commends efforts taken to improve the backlog of cases before the courts.

Canada recommends that St. Vincent and the Grenadines:

1. Prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity, including repealing all laws criminalising sexual relations between consenting adults.
2. Implement public awareness campaigns to end gender-based violence and violence against women and children.
3. Abolish the death penalty.
4. Increase accessibility to public buildings and transportation to allow the inclusion of all persons with disabilities.