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Thank you, Madam President,

The Maldives warmly welcomes the high-level delegation from Tajikistan to this third cycle review and thanks them for their presentation today.

The Maldives positively notes that Tajikistan has signed the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and hopes that the Convention is ratified at the earliest to create favourable conditions for the full participation of persons with disabilities in all spheres of life in society. We also positively note the 10 National Action Plans that have been adopted for the implementation of recommendations made by United Nations treaty bodies and hopes that they are implemented effectively.

In constructive spirit, the Maldives makes the following two recommendations to Tajikistan:

1. Further increase financing in the health sector, especially in maternal and child health-care services.

2. Improve the quality of education by providing continuous teacher training and increasing the participation of girls in vocational training and education.

We wish Tajikistan a successful review.

Thank you, Madam. President