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**Statement by the Delegation of the Kingdom of Bhutan**

Bhutanwelcomes the distinguished delegation of Thailand to the third cycle of the UPR and note with appreciation the efforts taken by Thailand in implementing the recommendations received during the second UPR cycle.

We welcome the measures taken to improve women’s access to health-care services, such as the universal health coverage scheme. We commend Thailand's active cooperation with human rights mechanisms and its active role at the regional level, in particular in the work of the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights (AICHR). The timely review of the ToR of the Commission to enable it to better respond to evolving human rights situations, the establishment of the ASEAN Centre for Sustainable Development Studies and Dialogue (ACSDSD), and the ASEAN Centre for Active Ageing and Innovation (ACAI) in Bangkok, under Thailand's chairmanship are noteworthy.

While noting Thailand's concerted efforts, we would like to recommend Thailand to continue its efforts related to universal health coverage and strengthen its efforts in reducing maternal mortality rates.

We wish Thailand every success in its review.

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