**Statement by Bulgaria**

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***Review of Republic of Togo***

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Mr. President,

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

Bulgaria wishes to commend Togo for the progress that has been made to harmonize its legislation with the United Nations human rights mechanisms.

We acknowledge the strengthening of the National Human Rights Commission by having its members elected by the Parliament and the establishment of the National Committee on the Rights of the Child.

Bulgaria would like to make the following recommendations to Togo:

1. Take further steps to ensure safe working conditions for women and improve the maternal and child health-care system;
2. Consider the adoption of legislation to prevent discrimination in employment against persons with disabilities.

We wish the Delegation of Togo a successful review!

Thank you.