

**STATEMENT**

**41th UPR Session of the Human Rights Council**

**on the human rights situation in Algeria,**

**as delivered by as delivered by Ms Anniken ENERSEN**

**Minister Counsellor, Human Rights**

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**President,**

**Norway welcomes Algeria as a member of the Human Rights Council for the period 2023-2025.**

**Norway recommends that Algeria;**

**1) ensures in law and in practice the rights to peaceful assembly, freedom of association and freedom of expression, including freedom of artistic expression, in compliance with the ICCPR;**

**2) adopts comprehensive legislation to prevent and combat violence against women with policies for implementation in line with the Constitution;**

**3) ensures the right to freedom of thought, belief and religion according to the Constitution;**

**4) cooperates fully with the human rights mechanisms, including by receiving the special procedures mandate holders of the UN Human Rights Council.**

**Thank you.**