**Intervention by Cyprus**

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Mr. President,

Cyprus welcomes the participation of the Delegation from the Kingdom of Bahrain at today’s UPR, as well as the presentation of its Report.

Cyprus commends Bahrain’s policies and reforms since its last review, including the adoption of a National Human Rights Plan, developments in juvenile justice, the continuing implementation of Bahrain’s National Plan for the Advancement of Bahraini Women, the adoption of Decree No. 24 of 2022[[1]](#footnote-1), and the measures aimed at combating
trafficking in persons.

Cyprus wishes to make the following recommendations:

* Consider reinstituting a moratorium on the use of the death penalty;
* Raise awareness about the importance of equal participation of women and men in public and political life and undertake apt steps towards this end;
* Amend legislation so as to allow Bahraini women to pass on their nationality to their children;
* Organize campaigns and educational programmes, to raise awareness of the importance of cultural heritage in all its diversity.
* Integrate a rights-based approach in climate mitigation policy and disaster risk reduction plans.

Thank you.

1. On facilitating travel visas to spouses and children of Bahraini women. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)