STATEMENT DELIVERED BY THE REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA DURING THE REVIEW OF THE **UPR REPORT OF BRAZIL** AT THE 41ST SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP

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**Thank you Mr President**,

The Republic of The Gambia welcomes the distinguished delegation of the Brazil and wish to congratulate them and thank them for their continued and constructive engagement with the UPR mechanism.

We wish to commend Brazil’s efforts in addressing the aftermath of the Covid-19 Pandemic and for their efforts in providing Emergency Aid directly targeting 68.2 Million eligible citizens to reduce the socio economic impacts caused by the Covid-19.

**Mr President,**

We equally take note and commend the government of Brazil for enacting in 2018 the Marrakesh Treaty to facilitate Access to Published Works for Persons Who are Blind, Visually Impaired or otherwise Print Disabled.

While recognising the commitments being made by the Government of Brazil, The Gambia would like to recommend that Brazil develop a plan to phase out the use of institutions for people with disabilities and to end abuses against them.

**Mr President,**

We thank the delegation of Brazil and wish them a successful review and fruitful deliberations.

Thank you.