**42ND SESSION OF THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW WORKING GROUP:**

**REVIEW OF ZAMBIA**

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**STATEMENT BY BRUNEI DARUSSALAM**

Thank you, Mr. President.

Brunei Darussalam thanks Zambia for the presentation of their National Report.

We commend the achievements of Zambia in socio-economic areas such as education and health, in spite of the ongoing challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. Of particular note are initiatives such as the Home-Grown School Feeding Programme, which not only increased enrolments but enhanced children’s nutrition.

On health, we welcome Zambia’s enactment of the Mental Health Act in 2019 and the introduction of mental health services in many provinces and districts.

On that note, Brunei Darussalam propose two recommendations:

1. Ensure that all children, especially persons with disabilities continue to enjoy the same privileges in schools; and
2. Continue efforts to increase awareness on mental health programmes and services.

Mr. President,

Brunei Darussalam wishes Zambia a successful review.

Thank you.

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