**STATEMENT DELIVERED BY THE REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA DURING THE REVIEW OF THE UPR REPORT OF PERU AT THE 42ND SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP**

**23 JANUARY-3 FEBRUARY 2023**

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**Thank you Mr President,**

The Gambia warmly welcomes the distinguished delegation of Peru and thank them for their continued and constructive engagement with the Universal Periodic Review mechanism.

We wish to commend Peru’s adoption of the National Multisectoral Policy for Children and Adolescents 2020-2030.

We equally note the adoption of provisions to implement alternative basic education facilities to enhance the education of students who are hard of hearing and deaf.

**Mr President,**

The Gambia would like to make the following recommendations to the delegation of Peru;

1. That Peru put in place mechanisms to address discrimination and marginalisation of women and girls, especially those with intellectual and psychosocial disabilities.

2. That Peru ensures the desegregation and inclusion of children with severe or multiple disabilities.

3. That Peru support efforts to increase the number of social service workers who specialize in helping children on the street to protect them from violence, hunger, and exploitation.

**Mr President,**

In conclusion, my delegation wishes the distinguished delegation of Peru a successful review and fruitful deliberations.

**Thank you.**