

**REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA**

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**Review of Montenegro**

**Statement delivered by Lilit Toutkhalian, Minister Councilor**

Mr. President,

Armenia welcomes the distinguished delegation of Montenegro to the 4th cycle and thanks for the report.

Armenia commends Montenegro for its commitment and progress achieved in protection of human rights, noting particularly improvements made in the prison system and in the conditions of detention, as well as in other areas.

In the spirit of constructive engagement Armenia **recommends**:

* To take extra steps to enhance access
to education;
* To ensure that all cases of gender based violence are investigated and alleged perpetrators are prosecuted.

Armenia wishes Montenegro a successful UPR.

Thank you.