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**Statement by Türkiye**

**(Speaking time: 1min5)**

Mr. President,

We would like to welcome the Botswana Delegation and thank them for the presentation of their national report.

Türkiye notes with appreciation the establishment of a presidential commission of inquiry into the review of constitution of Botswana to strengthen the democratic process.

We appreciate the steps taken by Botswana to curb gender-based violence including relevant legal arrangements such as the establishment of “Gender Based Violence Perpetrators Programme” and “The Gender and Child Protection Branch in the Botswana Police Service”.

Türkiye recommends Botswana to:

1. Continue its efforts in combatting corruption by awareness raising campaigns among public officials and finalizing the draft National Anti-Corruption Policy.
2. Take necessary measures to improve health infrastructure and ensure access to quality health services for all citizens without interruption.

Thank you, Mr. President.