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**Statement by the delegation of Nepal**

**UPR of Canada**

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Mr. President,

Nepal warmly welcomes the Canadian delegation.

Canada has made significant reforms in their legislative and operational framework to recognize the rights of the indigenous people. Measures taken to ensure their participation in decision-making and policy development are noteworthy.

We commend Canada’s commitment to diversity and inclusion by addressing the causes of persistent inequalities. Appointment of the gender equal Federal Cabinet is exemplary.‎

My delegation appreciates the endeavours to protect and promote socio-economic rights of people, as well as the rights of the children, elderly persons and youths.

Nepal would like to make following recommendations:

1. Consider raising the level of ODA to meet the target of 0.7 per cent of gross national income in response to the call of 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
2. Promote fairer working conditions for all, including migrant workers.
3. Continue efforts to curb violence against women.

We wish Canada a successful UPR.

Thank you.