**Permanent Mission of Montenegro to the United Nations and other international organizations**

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**UPR 3 Cycle, Review of Jordan**

**Statement by Montenegro**

Montenegro welcomes the distinguished delegation of Jordan.

We welcome the improvement of the institutional and normative human rights framework, in particular through establishment of several institutions dealing with human rights and adoption of the 2016–2025 comprehensive national plan for human rights. We welcome the continuous progress in cooperating with OHCHR and HRC special procedures.

We commend the Government for ensuring equitable access to education for all children, regardless of their nationality or legal status, but as well for reaching gender parity in primary education.

We regret that de facto moratorium on executions ended by carrying out several executions in the period 2014-2017. We call on the Government to reinstate moratorium on the use of death penalty.

Montenegro recommends:

1. to ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the ICCPR aiming to the abolition of the death penalty;
2. to ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance.

Thank you.