**32nd Session of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review (UPR)**

**Kingdom of Bahrain’ Statement**

**Review of Uruguay**

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**Thank you Mr President,**

Bahrain welcomes the distinguished delegation of Uruguay and thanks the presentation of the national report. Bahrain appreciates the steps taken since the last UPR cycle to further promote and protect human rights.

While wishing Uruguay a successful UPR review, Bahrain would like to make the following recommendations:

1) Ensure the full implementation of the right to equality and non-discrimination for persons with disabilities project

2) Intensify measures to combat trafficking in persons, paying particular attention to women and children

3) Continue efforts to shape public policy in order to provide access to health services in rural areas

4) Strengthen legislation against racial discrimination with a focus on structural discrimination.

**I thank you**