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Mr. President,

Cambodia warmly welcomes Bhutanese delegation led by Dr. Dorji to the 33rd session of the UPR Working Group and we highly appreciate the comprehensive National report presented.

We take note, since the 2nd UPR cycle, that the Bhutanese’s Government remains committed to human rights principles, and that a majority of recommendations (103 out of 163) were accepted and have been widely implemented.

We commend Bhutan’s achievements in the areas of public health services, poverty reduction, economic development, improving living standard, socio-cultural rights.

Therefore, we recommend Bhutan to further:

1. **Continue to raise public awareness on health services to vulnerable group particularly those who are living in the rural areas.**
2. **Combat discrimination against women and girls.**
3. **Continue to promote gender equality and narrow gender gap through enhancing participation of women and girls in political, economic and social activities.**

Cambodia wishes Bhutan every success in the UPR.

I thank you Mr. President.