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Statement by Montenegro  
  
Montenegro welcomes the distinguished delegation of the Plurinational State of Bolivia.   
  
We recognize efforts made in fulfilling recommendations from the previous cycle, including Montenegrin ones.   
  
We welcome measures undertaken in strengthening economy and economic growth which contributed to the reduction of extreme poverty, improvement of access to education and health system, as well as social protection and housing.  
  
Montenegro notes the adoption of Multisectorial Plan to Promote the Dismantling the Patriarchy and Women's Rights to Live Well with its equivalent Sectorial Plan, as well as the efforts to incorporate a restorative justice approach into the new juvenile criminal justice system. We would like to know what further measures the Government plan to take in addressing gender-based violence and discrimination? And what are the reasons for reducing age of criminal responsibility from 16 to 14?  
  
Montenegro recommends:  
  
1) Ensuring more effective access to justice for the vulnerable groups, particularly, victims of gender-based violence.  
2) Providing conditions for equal participation of all in public and political life, including right to vote or to be elected to the persons with disabilities.