**Statement by Myanmar Delegation**

**at the 34th Session of the UPR Working Group of Gambia**

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Mr. President,

Myanmar welcomes the delegation of Gambia to this UPR process.

Myanmar takes note of Gambia’s ratification of numerous international human rights conventions. However, we regret to learn that most of them yet to be enacted in the domestic legislation.

We are deeply concerned that gender inequality and discrimination remain a major problem in the country.

In the constructive spirit, Myanmar wishes to make following 4 recommendations:

1. to remove all severe restrictions and discrimination, in laws and in practice, on full enjoyment of human rights for women and girls to ensure their equal access and equal rights with men, including the right to land ownership, the right to education and reproductive rights;
2. to amend discriminatory laws against LGBTI people;
3. to intensify its efforts to address the impunity of police, security forces and correctional officers who committed extrajudicial killings, torture, beatings and ill-treatment;
4. to step up efforts to ensure effective access to education for the persons with disabilities;

We wish Gambia a successful review.

I thank you, Mr. President.