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

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**UPR 3 Cycle, Review of Kyrgyzstan**

**Statement by Montenegro**

Montenegro welcomes the distinguished delegation of Kyrgyzstan.

Montenegro acknowledges efforts of the Government of Kyrgyzstan to improve the institutional and legal framework for human rights. We welcome ratification of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities as well as the adoption of the Human Rights Action Plan for 2019-2021 focused on implementation of recommendations of the UN human rights treaty bodies.

We also note concerns of a several UN treaty bodies about the situation of the most vulnerable groups, in particular grave violations of rights of women and girls that are a subject of bride kidnapping and related sexual violence. We would like to ask the Government of Kyrgyzstan what measures are planed in order to enforce existing laws criminalizing bride kidnapping and child marriage, and create an environment enabling victims to access justice.

Montenegro makes the following recommendations to the Government of Kyrgyzstan:

1. To enhance efforts to combat labor exploitation of children;
2. To create favorable conditions for the active participation of the persons with disabilities in the political and cultural life, and their participation in society as equal members.

Thank you.