**Statement by Bulgaria**

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Thank you, Madame Vice-President!

Bulgaria welcomes the delegation of Kenya.

We note with appreciation the developments since the second UPR in the normative and institutional framework, as well as the substantial progress made in the implementation of the National Policy and Action Plan on Human Rights.

Bulgaria commends the Government of Kenya on the measures that it has taken to support the economic empowerment of women, as well as the available public procurement opportunities for young people and persons with disabilities.

Bulgaria would like to make the following recommendations to Kenya:

1. Continue to develop the national machinery for the advancement of women, strengthen coordination between various executive bodies and provide them with adequate resources;
2. Consider taking further measures to increase the number of girls and women in secondary and higher education, including through specific measures aimed at ensuring adequate access to education for girls with disabilities.

Thank you, Madame President!