**Statement by Bulgaria**

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***Review of Kuwait***

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Mr. Vice-President,

Bulgaria warmly welcomes the high level Delegation of Kuwait and thanks for the presentation of the national report.

We commend the progress that has been made in Kuwait for the empowerment of women and the promotion of the rights of the child.

Bulgaria would like to highlight the importance of the forthcoming first meeting of the EU-Kuwait Dialogue on Human Rights to be held in Brussels on February 4th, 2020.

Bulgaria would like to make the following recommendations to Kuwait:

1. Continue to strengthen efforts towards achievement of equality between men and women and the empowerment of women.
2. Raise awareness about the importance of the introduction of inclusive education for children with disabilities in the regular educational establishments.

We wish the Delegation of Kuwait a successful review!

Thank you, Mr. Vice-President!