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**Canada’s recommendations for Kenya’s UPR**

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Thank you, Madame President.

Canada congratulates Kenya for its leadership in promoting education for girls in conflict situations and its commitment to eradicating female genital mutilation by 2022.

Canada recommends that Kenya:

1. Finalize and implement, in 2020, the Draft National Action Plan to Ending Child Marriage in Kenya.
2. Adopt a comprehensive anti-discrimination law affording protection to all individuals, irrespective of sexual orientation, gender identity or expression.
3. Prevent torture and impunity through full implementation of the National Coroners Service Act 2017 and the Prevention of Torture Act 2017, including an evaluation tool to monitor progress.
4. Ensure equal access to education through the full integration of refugees and asylum-seekers into national education policies by 2020, in accordance with the 2017 Djibouti Declaration.

While we note human rights capacity building efforts targeting the police, Canada remains concerned that little has been done to strengthen internal accountability mechanisms for security agencies despite continued reports of serious human rights violations.

Thank you.