**Statement by the delegation of Nepal**

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Madam President,

Nepal welcomes the delegation of Lesotho to the 3rd cycle of UPR.

We appreciate Lesotho’s constructive engagement in this process.

Nepal welcomes the initiatives taken by Lesotho, such as reestablishment of National AIDS Commission and National Health Strategy for Adolescents and Young People to prevent the spread of HIV AIDS.

We commend Lesotho for launching the campaign to end child marriage.

Nepal also appreciates Lesotho’s development of Sexual and Reproductive Health Strategic Plan.

Madam President,

Nepal recommends Lesotho the following for their consideration:

1. Enhance efforts to establish a National Human Rights Commission in compliance with the Paris Principles.
2. Continue measures to curb the spread of AIDS in its efforts to improve access to health services.

Nepal wishes Lesotho a successful review.

Thank you.