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**Intervention by Denmark**

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Mdm. President,

Denmark thanks the delegation of Malawi for its presentation and commends its notable commitments made at the Nairobi Summit.

Ensuring the provision of adequate sexual and reproductive health services is a prerequisite to ensure further progress.

*Denmark recommends the Government to reduce maternal mortality by ensuring the provision of adequate sexual and reproductive health services, in particular access to antenatal, delivery and postnatal services.*

Providing quality education for every child is of key importance.

*For this reason, Denmark recommends the Government to provide comprehensive sexuality education as part of the school curriculum.*

*Finally, Denmark recommends the Government to ratify the OPCAT.*

Denmark wishes Malawi a successful review.

I thank you.