



Statement by
the Republic of Slovenia

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Review of Senegal**

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Mr. President,

Slovenia thanks Senegal for presentation of their report and commitment to the UPR process.

We commend Senegal for the recently launched project in support of the campaign against gender-based violence in schools and the campaign to end child marriage.

Slovenia at the same time regrets Senegal's unwillingness to implement a number of recommendations it had accepted during its second review namely in the field of the rights of women and children, as well as in regards to strengthening of the national human rights institutions.

We would like to **recommend** Senegal to revise the Criminal Code to bring it in line with regional and international law and standards, particularly the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and the Maputo Protocol on the Rights of Women in Africa, including by criminalising marital rape, prohibiting early and forced marriage and decriminalising abortion.

Thank you.