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Thank you, Mr. President,

The Maldives warmly welcomes the distinguished delegation of the Republic of Botswana to this adoption of the UPR Report. We commend Botswana for their commitment to the UPR process in the promotion and protection of human rights especially the establishment of the National Gender Commission to implement the national policy on gender.

My delegation appreciates that Botswana has accepted both recommendations made by the Maldives to intensify efforts to harmonise the Children's Act with the Convention of the Rights of the Child, in consultation with relevant stakeholders including civil society organisations and to provide regular training to judicial, legal, and law enforcement officials on human rights.

The Maldives recommends the adoption of the 4th Cycle UPR Report of the Republic of Botswana by consensus and wishes the Government of Botswana every success in its implementation of the accepted recommendations.

I thank you, Mr. President.