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Ghana

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Thank you, Mr. Vice President.

We would like to welcome the delegation of Ghana to the UPR. We take note of Ghana's ongoing commitment to the implementation of accepted recommendations, as is evident from its national report. We commend that Government, as well as CSO's and the UN's Resident Coordinator for Ghana, have taken part in the preparation of the report.

Important steps have been implemented since Ghana's previous UPR, such as the establishment of a specialized task force to combat human trafficking, the implementation of a three-year plan to eliminate early and forced child marriage, and measures taken to end discrimination against persons living with HIV.

Yet, challenges remain. Israel would like to recommend Ghana:

1. Complement the reported improvement in mental health services, with a more robust supervision on the way mental patients are treated in "prayer camps".
2. Enhance efforts by law enforcement authorities to eradicate the practice of female genital mutilation.
3. Ensure a more comprehensive application of initiatives designed to improve the situation of people with disabilities, including Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty.

Finally, Israel would like to wish the delegation of Ghana a successful UPR.

Thank you.