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**Statement**

By

**Mr. Yaser Salarian**

Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran

Before

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**Review of The Gambia**

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**Thank you Mr. Vice President,**

The Islamic Republic of Iran warmly welcomes the delegation of The Gambia and commends its constructive engagement in the UPR process.

Iran appreciates The Gambia's notable progress in advancing human rights. The operationalization of the National Human Rights Commission is a testament to The Gambia's commitment to institutional strengthening.

In the spirit of constructive engagement, Iran offers the following recommendations to **The Gambia**:

1. To continue implementing the recommendations of the Truth, Reconciliation, and Reparations Commission, ensuring accountability and reparation mechanisms for victims;
2. To sustain investments in healthcare and education, promoting equitable access and addressing social and economic inequalities;
3. To enhance efforts in empowering women and youth through targeted programs aimed at improving livelihoods and increasing access to drinking water in rural areas.

We wish The Gambia a successful review.

**Thank you, Mr. Vice President.**