

**Permanent Mission of Montenegro to the United Nations and other
International Organizations**

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Report of Dominican Republic

Statement by Montenegro

Montenegro warmly welcomes (head of delegation) and the delegation of Dominican Republic.

Montenegro welcomes ratification of the Convention Against Torture and other Inhuman or Degrading Treatment during the review period. Could you please inform on the Government's plans to fully implement its obligations, through investigations and punishment of all cases of brutality and excessive use of force by enforcement officials, especially in prisons?

Montenegro recognizes multiple institutional and legal measures which your Government has been taken to improve gender equality and equity. We noticed that CEDAW recommended to your country to raise legal minimum age for marriage for woman at least to 18. Could you please inform about the results achieved through its implementation?

We welcome that abortion is decriminalized in cases when physical integrity of women or fetus is endangered. However, we are concerned that abortion still stays criminalized in cases of rape, incest or serious malformation of fetus. Does your Government plan to amend legislative framework in this regard?

Montenegro makes the following recommendations:

- We ask the Government of Dominican Republic to extend a standing invitation to all thematic special procedures.
- We call on the Government to consider ratification of ICCPR-OP2.