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**Statement  
delivered by Shahriyar Hajiyev, Third Secretary of the Permanent Mission of the  
Republic of Azerbaijan to the UN Office and other International Organizations in  
Geneva**

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Madam Vice-President,

Azerbaijan welcomes the Delegation of Sierra Leone and thanks for the information provided during the presentation of national report.

We note the measures implemented by the Government of Sierra Leone relating to the recommendations given by our country during the previous cycle.

By acknowledging the efforts pursued in the field of rights of women and girls, and persons with disabilities, we recommend Sierra Leone to continue its legislative and policy measures in the field of empowerment of women and girls and the rights of persons with disabilities.

We recognize the challenges faced by Sierra Leone caused by the natural disasters and the pandemic. Despite the challenges faced, the efforts pursued is commendable, such as the policies on reducing poverty and development of human capital.

We recommend Sierra Leone to continue implementing measures for reducing poverty, in particular in rural areas and achieving sustainable development.

Azerbaijan wishes the Delegation of Sierra Leone a very successful review.

Thank you, Madame Vice-President.