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Review of Indonesia

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Intervention by Ukraine

We commend today's participation of the delegation of the Republic of Indonesia in the second UPR cycle and presentation of the National report which reflects the strong intention of Indonesian Government to further improve human rights situation in the country, in particular the right to freedom of religion.

Being concerned over existing frictions among certain religious groups, my delegation encourages the Government of Indonesia to undertake all efforts needed to ensure peaceful resolution of the problem and welcomes in this context participation of civil society in endeavours intended to promote religious harmony.

In order to legally guarantee protection of all the religious groups from any kind of discrimination, primarily from acts of violence, we urge the Indonesian Government to seek possible ways to speed up adoption of the religious harmony bill currently discussed by national lawmakers.

I thank you, Madame President.