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UPR UK

*Intervention by Ambassador Roderick van Schreven*

*Introduction*

Madam President,

First I would like to thank minister ... for his/her presentation of the national report.

*Substance*

We recognize the contribution of the UK to make the UPR procedure more effective in general.

We commend the clarity of the national report and the way it focuses on developments since the first UPR-cycle. I note that the description of Terrorism Prevention and Investigation Measures Act and the Protection of Freedoms Bill addresses the relevant recommendations.

Even in an advanced society governed by the rule of law it is befitting to stay watchful. Concerns voiced by treaty bodies and NGO's on earlier occasions illustrate that. All of us have the obligation to respect individual rights when pursuing important public goods such as security.

*recommendations*

Therefore the Netherlands recommends:

1. *That the Government of the United Kingdom steadily review the implementation of its new system of terrorism prevention and investigation to ensure the effectiveness in practice of safeguards against abuse and the deliberate targeting of certain ethnic groups.*

Thank you Madam President.

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