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**Statement by Armenia**

The Armenian delegation warmly welcomes the delegation of Czech Republic here today and thanks them for their national report.

We encourage and support all measures taken for the enforcement of individual rights and freedoms, particularly the importance given to the integration of foreigners and to the protection of rights defenders at home and abroad.

We acknowledge the significant changes of the Czech Criminal code and the elaboration of Strategy for Combating Extremism in order to fight against racism and neo-Nazism. We note as well the adoption of Anti-Discrimination Act to combat discrimination based on race, ethnic origin, nationality and other.

We also welcome the consistent policy of Czech Republic for the Crime Prevention Strategy improving the sense of safety and security among the population and to reduce inter-ethnic tensions.

We would like to make following recommendations for the Czech Republic:

- to consider the possible signature and ratification of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance
- to continue the implementation of Crime Prevention Strategy plan which fosters the peaceful coexistence of the society members and ethnic minorities.