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Statement of the Republic of Korea

Thank you Madam President.

The Republic of Korea welcomes the delegation of Sri Lanka to its second cycle of the UPR. We acknowledge the progress made in the process of reconciliation including the resettlement of IDPs, reintegration of the former combatants of the LTTE, and reconstruction of major aspects of the social infrastructure in the northern and eastern part of the country. We also appreciate the publication of the Action Plan for the Implementation of the recommendations of the LLRC.

With this progress in mind, my delegation would like to make two recommendations:

First, we would like to recommend that the Government of Sri Lanka closely cooperate with the international community in implementing the recommendations by the LLRC and the National Action Plan for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights in the context of promoting reconciliation and accountability.

Second, recognizing that the operational independence of the national human rights commission has been enhanced, we recommend that the Government of Sri Lanka take the necessary measures to further ensure its institutional independence. Thank you. /END/