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Madame President,

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka to the 2nd UPR cycle and thanks for the informative national report that reflects Sri Lanka's adherence to the Review process.

We note with satisfaction positive developments in the country since 2008 and the efforts taken by the Government of Sri Lanka for implementation of recommendations accepted during the 1st UPR cycle, in particular through realization of the National Plan of Action for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights. We encourage Sri Lanka to ensure successful implementation of the Plan in all its thematic areas.

Regarding accountability issues, Ukraine recommends Sri Lanka to strengthen efforts to investigate allegations of serious violations of international humanitarian law and the international human rights during the conflict and to hold those responsible to account.

Thank you, Madame President.