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Mr. President,

I would like to thank the delegation of Montenegro, led by H.E. Mr. Suad Numanović, Minister for Human and Minority Rights, for the presentation of the national report and for its participation in the review process.

Slovakia recognises Montenegro's commitment to advance its human rights record since the first review. In this context, we commend the country for its progressive ratification of core international HR instruments. Remarkable, inter alia, was the signature of the third OP to CRC on a communications procedure among the first group of signatories in February last year. Montenegro as a multiethnic, multiconfessional and multicultural state promotes intercultural dialogue and cooperation among ethnic and religious groups in its greater region. Slovakia firmly believes that Montenegro will actively contribute to the global promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms as a Human Rights Council member in 2013 – 2015.

Slovakia would like to present Montenegro the following two recommendations:

- 1. to continue addressing the situation of displaced and internally displaced persons in a durable, sustainable manner, such as through the Strategy for Permanent Resolution of the Problems of D/IDPs.** In this regard, Slovakia commends Montenegro's pro-active approach and the results achieved so far.
- 2. to consider further extension for applications resolving the status of displaced or internally displaced persons.**

I thank you, Mr. President.