

Statement of the delegation of the Kyrgyz Republic during the interactive dialogue of the UPR Working Group on the Republic of Serbia 30 January 2013

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Mr. President,

Kyrgyzstan welcomes the delegation of the Republic of Serbia and commends the Republic of Serbia for the concrete progress achieved since the last review, especially one related to creating a normative and strategic framework for strengthening position of women, through by adopting the Law on Gender Equality, National Strategy for Improving the Position of Women and Promoting Gender Equality with the Action Plan for its implementation for the period 2010-2015, as well as the National Action Plan for the implementation of UN SC Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security in RS for the same period.

Mr. President.

We welcome the efforts of the Government of the Republic of Serbia to promote and protect human rights, and would like to bring forward the following recommendations:

- 1. In the field of violence against women it is <u>recommended</u> to harmonize legal measures and policies in order to guarantee rights of victims of domestic violence in accordance with the international standards, for instance, by amending the Criminal Procedure Law that would expand the term "family member" in the criminal offence of domestic violence to include a former spouse or partner.
- 2. Furthermore, due to the lack of a definition and prohibition of child prostitution in the Serbian national legislation, we <u>recommend</u> that Serbia

provides a clear definition of child prostitution in its national legislation in line with its international obligations.

In conclusion, Mr. President, my delegation strongly believes in success of the Serbian authorities in the promotion and protection of human rights.

I thank you