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REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

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**UPR Working Group  
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*Universal Periodic Review of Serbia*  
Statement by H.E. Victor Moraru  
Ambassador, Permanent Representative  
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Mr President,

We warmly welcome the Serbian delegation to the UPR Working Group.

We applaud Serbia's commitment to addressing the broad spectrum of human rights.

The Republic of Moldova commends Serbia for enacting a large number of laws and other regulations defining human rights in various specific areas and for developing its capacity to promote and protect human rights.

We acknowledge the ongoing steps and actions to ensure non-discrimination, including the gender equality.

We welcome Serbia's specific efforts to prevent and eliminate domestic violence, as well as to punish perpetrators of violence against women and children.

We also note the continuous efforts undertaken by Serbia in order to combat child sale, prostitution and pornography, as well as to ensure physical and psychological recovery and social reintegration services for child victims.

The Republic of Moldova makes the following recommendations:

- 1. Ensure the complementarity of the institutions for monitoring the protection of human rights;*
- 2. Implement the national strategy to prevent domestic violence and provide training for relevant officials on domestic violence;*
- 3. Take further measures to eliminate discriminatory gender stereotypes;*
- 4. Reinforce measures to prevent child sex tourism and to combat child pornography on the Internet.*

I thank you for attention.