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Mr. President,

My delegation welcomes the high level delegation of Azerbaijan and appreciates the comprehensive presentation of their national report which highlights the progress of human rights in the republic of Azerbaijan.

We take note that Azerbaijan has acceded to a number of international treaties on Human Rights, and commend the effort of Azerbaijan in reflecting the recommendation of its previous UPR in the National Action Program of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

We likewise appreciate the adoption of new laws, including the Law on Education, the Law on Combat against domestic violence, the Law on ensuring intellectual property rights and combat against piracy.

We also praise the efforts made by the Government of Azerbaijan in promoting and protecting the rights of person with disabilities, and acknowledge its efforts in regard to the improvement of freedom of expression, freedom of assembly, freedom of Religion, enhancement of imprisonment conditions, and Elimination of Poverty.

To further accelerate the progress in areas of promotion and protection of human rights, Afghanistan would like to recommend to the delegation of Azerbaijan to Continue to improve national laws and institutions, in particular in the field of protecting human rights of women and children.

Thank you.

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