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UPR of COLOMBIA

Mr. President,

Slovenia welcomes the distinguished delegation of Colombia and appreciates their presentation, as well as the answers to our advance questions.

We welcome a number of positive developments since the 1st review, such as establishment of the National System of Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law, adoption of the Anti Discrimination Act, adoption of the Comprehensive National strategy to Combat Trafficking in Persons, as well as the ongoing work to draw up a new national strategy for 2013-2018.

However, we are concerned about reports that human rights defenders and their families continue to face insecurity, threats and harassments, particularly those working in remote rural areas and at the grassroots level. We therefore **recommend** that Colombia reinforces measures for the protection of human rights defenders.

We further **recommend** ratifying OP CAT.

Thank you.