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Statement by Armenia

Thank you Mr President.

Armenia welcomes the delegation of Germany and thanks for the preparation and presentation of the comprehensive national report.

For Armenia it's very valuable the courage of Germany and German people to live in harmony with the past, commitment to the international peace and security and to the protection and promotion of universal human rights.

Armenia appreciates the steps taken by Germany towards the implementation of recommendations after its first UPR, including ratification of international human rights instruments and numerous new legislative initiatives.

We highly appreciate Germany's policy towards national minority rights protection. In this regard we would like to mention the positive experience of the Armenian community living in Germany who is fully integrated into the society.

We note with appreciation measures undertaken towards raising public awareness for human rights in the country, inter alia, through firm inclusion of human rights education in the syllabuses of the relevant subjects in every type and level of school.

Armenia recommends Germany

- To continue enhancing and promoting human rights through expanding and broadening human rights education and awareness-raising programs in the country.

Thank you.