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Mr. President,

We welcome the delegation of the Russian Federation in the UPR and thank for the introductory statement.

We would like to note that, Russia is the party to the main universal international treaties on the human rights. In the past few years the Russian Federation has ratified or become party to the other international human rights agreements such as the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. We recommend Russian Federation to continue the accession process to the core human rights treaties.

We are satisfied with the current level of cooperation of Russian Federation with the system of Special Rapporteurs of the UN. The Special Representative on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises, the Special Representative on violence against children and the Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights visited the country in the years of 2010-2012. We recommend Russian Federation the further development of its interaction with the system of Special Rapporteurs, including through responding to their communications.

We highly value the Russian Federation for its efforts in upholding the rights of children, including the endorsement of the national strategy for action in children's interests covering the period 2012–2017 and adoption of the corrections to the Criminal Code. We note that the problems related to the violence against women are at the constant attention of the Government. We recommend Russian Federation to continue its measures with regard to the promotion and protection of the children's rights and combating violence against women.

Thank you for attention.