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Recommendations by Greece

Thank you M. President,

Greece would like to warmly welcome the delegation of the Russian Federation to the 16th session of the UPR Working Group headed by H.E.

1. We notice with satisfaction the many efforts of the Russian Federation to promote women's rights including the setting up of a working group which is working on the implementation of recommendations by CEDAW following the consideration of the sixth and seventh periodic reports by the said Committee. One of the concerns expressed by CEDAW is the underrepresentation of women in public and political life and in decision-making positions. We recommend that the Russian Federation continue efforts in combating discrimination against women at all levels.
2. We welcome the ratification by the Russian Federation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the signing of the Optional Protocol on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography and we recommend that the Russian Federation continue efforts to protect the rights of vulnerable groups including children and persons with disabilities.

Thank you M. President