

Statement by H.E. Mr. Yong CHANTHALANGSY,  
Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Lao PDR to UNO  
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Mr. President,

The Lao delegation warmly welcomes and thanks the delegation of Russian Federation for the comprehensive presentation of the National Report.

My delegation notes with appreciation that Russia is a democratic, federative, law-based State with a republican form of government, and comprises constituent entities with equal rights. We commend Russia for continuing its efforts to strengthen the statutory and structural underpinnings for the promotion and protection of human rights throughout the country.

We appreciate that Russia is party to many core international human rights instruments among other conventions and fully participated in the implementation of regional and international human rights legal instruments.

In this connection, my delegation encourages the Government of Russia to strengthen cooperation with the UN and international community for the promotion and protection of Human Rights.

I thank you, Mr President.