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Statement by: Rwanda Delegation

Thank you Mr President

Rwanda warmly welcomes the delegation of the Russian Federation and expresses appreciation for their comprehensive National report.

We have studied the report and we would like to acknowledge the positive steps taken by Russian Federation aimed at promoting and protecting human rights, in particular:

1. The consistent actions to improve the situation of individuals in Custody
2. *The extension of the moratorium on the death penalty.*
3. The continued national and international actions to combat trafficking in persons
4. The continued reforms of the judicial system and especially, those aimed at preventing corruption

Finally, we recommend the Russian Federation to:

- Consider the abolition of the death penalty
- Continue its reform being conducted on the judicial system to improve the quality and efficiency of case handling in the courts
- Continue its positive efforts towards the total elimination of discrimination and violence against women.

Thank you Mr President