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COUNTRY UNDER REVIEW: TURKMENISTAN
Intervention by Turkey

Thank you Mr. President,

We would like to warmly welcome the delegation of Turkmenistan and thank them for their national report.

Turkey has an excellent bilateral relationship with Turkmenistan and we are happy to observe that Turkmenistan is making steady progress in presenting better standards to Turkmen society.

In this respect, we commend Turkmenistan's inauguration of Human Rights Centers in five different cities. Under the supervision of the President's National Institute of Democracy and Human Rights, the educational services of these centers are clear signs of Turkmenistan's sincere efforts of awareness-raising in the context of human rights.

We also observe that Turkmenistan has been cooperating fruitfully with the international community, specifically with the UN when setting up these essential institutions. The increasing cooperation of Turkmenistan with OSCE institutions is another positive aspect of its human rights policies. As a manifestation of this cooperative spirit, the Turkmen Government is organizing joint projects and international conferences concerning, rights of children and persons with disabilities, good governance, human trafficking and more. We recommend that Turkmenistan continue to develop its international, regional and bilateral efforts in the field of human rights.

I thank you Mr. President.

