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Mr. President,

My delegation welcomes the high level delegation of the Republic of Uzbekistan headed by His Excellency Mr. Akmal Saidov, Chairman of National Human Rights Center, and appreciates the comprehensive presentation of the national report which highlights the progress on the implementation of the recommendations that Uzbekistan accepted during its first UPR in 2008 and developments in human rights situation.

We take note that Uzbekistan has made a number of amendments to its constitution to strengthen democratic reforms and has continued its effort to implement the recommendations that it has accepted during the first cycle of UPR.

The effort of Uzbekistan in promoting public awareness of women's rights is commendable. In particular, translating and publishing the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women to its National language and conducting campaigns and training courses for rural women to explain the convention and teach them their rights are noteworthy.

In conclusion, we recommend Uzbekistan to concentrate on the implementation of the international human rights instruments that have been ratified by the country, and wish the Government and people of Uzbekistan all the possible success in their continued endeavors in promoting and protecting human rights in the Republic of Uzbekistan.

Thank you.

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