

Thank you Mr. President,

we welcome the distinguished delegation of Uzbekistan to the second cycle of the Universal periodic review and would like to thank them on the comprehensive statement and informative report.

We congratulate Uzbekistan on their efforts to implement the recommendations made to them in the first cycle of UPR, as well for their efforts to improve the human rights situation in the country.

We commend Uzbekistan for ratifying main human rights conventions including the two optional protocols on the right of the child.

We welcome the steps taken by Uzbekistan to incorporate the goals of the Millennium Declaration

into the country's development programs and to meet the MDGs for 2015, including Goal No. 3: "Promote gender equality and empower women".

We noted the continuous efforts by the government to strengthen the legislative framework to ensure the full inclusion of persons with disabilities in society.

In this regard we would like to recommend the following:

- 1- Continue the implementation of concrete measures to realize the Un millennium Development Goals, to strengthen cooperation with international partners.
- 2- Intensify efforts to ratify the Un convention on the rights of persons with disabilities.
- 3- Continue to proceed with the adoption of the national Action Programme in the field of Human rights in accordance with the provisions of the Vienna declaration and programme of action on human rights.

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