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Mr. President,

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of the Republic of Uzbekistan at the 2nd UPR cycle and thanks for the informative national report and its presentation.

We commend steps undertaken by Uzbekistan to improve legislative, legal and institutional spheres, strengthening the role of parliament, political parties and civil society.

We also acknowledge with appreciation progress achieved since last review in implementing recommendations accepted during the 1st cycle, particularly one submitted by the Ukrainian delegation on the use of international experience in the field of human rights in environmental crises.

Ukraine encourages the Government of Uzbekistan to continue its efforts in further mainstreaming of human rights-based approaches in national environmental policies and strategies. In this regard we would be grateful to learn about the prospects for adoption of the new bill on ecological oversight, mentioned in the National report.

As regards recommendations, the delegation of Ukraine recommends Uzbekistan to consider establishing a national human rights institution in conformity with the Paris Principles.

Thank you, Mr. President.