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STATEMENT BY BULGARIA

Thank you, Mr. President,

Bulgaria appreciates the fact that since the last review the Chinese authorities have been working steadily towards improving and strengthening the human rights in the country.

We note positively the Government's efforts to respond effectively to the impact of the international financial crisis, its determination to stabilize the level of employment, as well as the results achieved in building a social security system, comprising social assistance, social welfare and charities.

Bulgaria would recommend, China to continue adopting a job friendly policy and ensuring equal employment opportunities for urban and rural residents.

We commend the capital offences' scope reduction in Chinese legislation and recommend further progress in this regard.

We recommend as well speeding up the ratification of the ICCPR, which has been already signed by China.

Thank you.