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Review of Slovakia under the UPR

**STATEMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA**  
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Mr. President,

Republic of Macedonia welcomes the Delegation of the Slovakia and thanks the Delegation for the presentation of the national report on the main human rights achievements since the First UPR in 2009.

Republic of Macedonia has noted the progress achieved and would like to commend the commitment of Slovakia to the UPR process.

Slovakia has certainly strengthened its legal framework on human rights, both through numerous international conventions that became a state party and through adoption and implementation of domestic law, in particular in the area of anti-discrimination and human rights protection.

We would like to find out more about the functioning of Committee for the Prevention and Elimination of Racism, Xenophobia, Anti-Semitism and Other Forms of Intolerance established in March 2011.

While noting the progress achieved in representation of national minority on local level, we would like to make the following recommendation - Slovakia to step up its efforts in order to improve the participation of the Roma minority in the Parliament having in view the fact that no Roma candidate was elected to the parliament in 2010.

Thank you Mr. President.