

**Statement of the delegation of the Kyrgyz Republic  
during the interactive dialogue of the UPR Working Group  
on Uruguay  
29 January, 2014**

**Mr. President,**

Kyrgyzstan warmly welcomes the delegation of Uruguay and commends that Uruguay held a dialogue on human rights in 2009 in the context of the universal periodic review. Uruguay has made considerable progress over the past period towards implementing its obligations in the framework of the recommendations made under the review.

In order to strengthen the human rights safeguards Uruguay took decisive steps in the judicial reforms. In particular, the country adopted the Act on migration, Act on sexual violence, the establishment of specialized courts and prosecutors to address organized crime, including issues of human trafficking.

My delegation notes that the regulations to Act on trafficking and smuggling of persons established special aggravating circumstances when the victim is a child, adolescent or person with disabilities.

**Mr. President,**

Uruguay has made significant progress in combating trafficking in persons, especially women and children.

In this regards, Kyrgyzstan would like to bring forward the following recommendations:

- to draw up a comprehensive programme to combat trafficking in persons;
- to provide assistance and redress to victims of trafficking in persons;
- to launch campaigns to raise public awareness on trafficking in persons.

**Mr. President,**

In conclusion, my delegation wishes success to the Uruguayan authorities in the promotion and protection of human rights!

I thank you!