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## Human Rights Council 19<sup>th</sup> session of the UPR Working Group Review of Nicaragua May 7, 2014 Intervention by Ukraine

## Mr. President,

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of Nicaragua and thanks for the presentation of the National report that reflects certain progress achieved in human rights sphere since last review.

Still we share concerns expressed by previous speakers regarding the situation on the ground, in particular those related to child labor and children's right to education, insufficiency of efforts for eradicating racial discrimination and gender-based violence as well as safeguarding human rights of prisoners and detainees.

In this context Ukraine recommends to Nicaragua the following:

- step up efforts to eliminate hazardous work conditions for children working in the agricultural sector;
- ensure protection of women and girls from all forms of violence including sexual one;
- take effective, predominantly legislative steps to protect the rights of persons deprived of their liberty.

Ukraine also strongly encourages the Government of Nicaragua to obey the UN Charter and show respect to its principles in particular those related to the Member States' territorial integrity.

Thank you, Mr. President.