

**Statement of the delegation of the Kyrgyz Republic  
during the interactive dialogue of the UPR Working Group  
on Norway  
28 April, 2014**

**Mr. President,**

Kyrgyzstan warmly welcomes the Norwegian delegation and commends that Norway held a dialogue on human rights in 2009 in the context of the universal periodic review. Norway 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 Norway took decisive steps in the legislation. In particular, the country adopted ~~the~~ four new anti-discrimination acts that had entered into force: on sexual orientation, gender equality, ethnicity, and accessibility for persons with disabilities. ✓

**Mr. President,**

In Norway the rights and welfare of children have been a priority for many years. Measures to combat violence against children are therefore being continued, as detailed in a new action plan against domestic violence for the period 2014–2017.

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

- to take additional measures to ensure the full enjoyment of the right to education by children with an immigrant background and to eliminate discrimination in access to education *for them;*

- to elaborate and implement a substantially more effective strategy to fight child poverty.

**Mr. President,**

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

I thank you!