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Review of Italy
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Intervention by Ukraine**

Mr. President,

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of Italy at the 20th session of the UPR Working Group and thanks for presentation of the National report.

We commend efforts taken since the first UPR cycle to strengthen Italy's international human rights obligations, in particular ratification of OP-CAT and establishment of the National Guarantor of the Rights of Detainees.

Ukraine also welcomes the Italian Government cooperation with the OHCHR, particularly, financial support rendered to the Office.

Recognizing Italy's position at the forefront of endeavors aimed at settling problems confronting migrants, including allocation of considerable financial and human resources to this end, the delegation of Ukraine encourages the Government of Italy to continue taking steps for ensuring proper protection of human rights of migrants.

Ukraine would also like to encourage Italy to consider establishing ^{CE}an independent national human rights institution in accordance with the Paris Principles.

I thank you.