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**Human Rights Council  
20<sup>th</sup> session of the UPR Working Group  
Review of Slovenia  
4 November 2014  
Intervention by Ukraine**

**Mr. President,**

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of Slovenia at the 20<sup>th</sup> session of the UPR Working Group and thanks for presentation of the National report.

Our delegation recognizes Slovenia's strong commitments to human rights protection and promotion and commends the efforts taken by the authorities to improve the institutional and legislative framework for human rights, in particular, ratification of a number of international treaties.

We acknowledge positive steps made in safeguarding protection of disabled persons. In this regard Ukraine encourages Slovenia to continue policies and programs for persons with disabilities and ensure their effective implementation through allocating necessary resources.

Ukraine would like to make the following recommendation to the Government of Slovenia: to bring the National human rights institution into compliance with the Paris Principles and broaden its mandate to carry out investigations into allegations of torture and ill-treatment.

**I thank you.**