

Mr. President

My delegation welcomes the distinguished delegation of Kyrgyzstan and Thanks them for presentation today.

Afghanistan commends the adoption of the new constitution of Kyrgyzstan in 2010 that incorporate significant provisions on human rights and guarantees fundamental rights and freedoms of Kyrgyz citizens.

Afghanistan further welcomes the steps taken by Kyrgyzstan in the promotion and protection of human rights as reflected in a number of strategies, namely the National Sustainable Development Strategy, the National Strategy on Gender Equality and the Social Protection Development Strategy, and efforts in bringing national legislation in conformity with the international human rights standards.

Finally, Afghanistan appreciates the submission of a new bill to the parliament to bring the statues of the Office of Ombudsman in full conformity with the Paris Principals, and would like to recommend to Kyrgyzstan to accelerate this process.

Thank you.