

21st Session of the UPR Working Group

Review of Kyrgyzstan

Statement by Armenia

We welcome the delegation of Kyrgyzstan to the 21st session of the UPR. Armenia commends Kyrgyzstan for the efforts to implement the recommendations of its first UPR cycle, including the ones made by Armenia.

We welcome the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms envisaged in the newly adopted Constitution of the country. The priority given to the International human rights instruments and their implementation is commendable.

Armenia notes with appreciation the steps undertaken to promote women's rights and the rights of the child, including combating early marriage. We also appreciate the efforts directed towards poverty reduction and eradication in Kyrgyzstan.

We attach high importance to the promotion of the right to education, including human rights education and awareness raising programs.

Armenia notes various initiatives and programs directed towards combating trafficking of persons, the protection and promotion of the rights of ethnical minorities. In this regard we recommend Kyrgyzstan:

- 1) To continue the initiatives for the promotion of tolerance and diversity with the aim of the protection of the rights of national and ethnic minorities of the country.
- 2) To continue its efforts directed towards the fight against trafficking in persons.