

**21<sup>st</sup> Session of the Working Group of the UPR**

**Review of Spain**

**Statement by Armenia**

We warmly welcome the delegation of Spain and thank them for the detailed national report. We commend numerous legislative and administrative initiatives to further improve the human rights situation in Spain since its first review.

Armenia welcomes the steps undertaken to combat incitement to hatred and hate crimes and the policies to eliminate racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, as well as the steps to combat trafficking in persons.

Armenia also highly appreciates the adoption of measures to implement the provisions of the Historical Memory Act of 2007. It clearly indicates Spain's commitment to the protection of the rights of the victims of historical injustices and prevention of such crimes in the future.

We have 2 recommendations for Spain:

- 1) To continue its efforts in addressing historical injustices and protecting the rights of the victims of such injustices both at the national and international levels, and
- 2) To continue to take measures to combat trafficking of persons.

In conclusion, we wish Spain success in its Second UPR Cycle.