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Bangladesh intervention on the UPR of Turkey

I would like to begin by welcoming the Turkish delegation among us.

Mr. President, human rights is best protected in an environment where good governance and rule of law is well rooted. In this regard, Turkey has exhibited a praiseworthy record.

We have noted that Turkey has undertaken several reform process and legal and institutional measures to promote and protect human rights in the country since its first cycle of the UPR. The efforts to institute its legal framework on human rights in line with international principles and standards are notable. Training for public officials also vouch for the commitment of the country.

Despite several noteworthy achievements, we have also noted that like in any other country, Turkish citizens are faced with some challenges. In view of the challenges, as mentioned by several treaty bodies, we would like to recommend that Turkey, -

1. Adopts the draft National Strategy and Action Plan on Violence against Children; and
2. takes further measures to promote education in rural areas.
