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Statement by Romania

Thank you Mr. President,

Romania took note of the presentation of the delegation of Belarus. We commend some of the steps undertaken since the last interactive dialogue, notably the presentation of a mid-term report on the implementation of the accepted recommendations.

Nevertheless as the available reports indicate, the country is still facing challenges in guaranteeing the full enjoyment of the recognised human rights by all its citizens.

We have the following recommendation for Belarus: to adapt its own domestic legislation on associations in order to remove any hindrances to the full realisation of the freedom of association by its citizens,

To fully guarantee the freedom of expression and to refrain from arbitrary arrest of journalists.

To co-operate with the UN mechanisms including with the special rapporteur on the situation of human rights.

Thank you Mr. President