

**Human Rights Council
22nd session of the UPR Working Group
Review of the USA**

**Intervention by Permanent Representative of Ukraine
Ambassador Yuriy Klymenko**

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Mr. President,

Ukraine welcomes the USA delegation at the 22nd session of the UPR Working Group and thanks for presentation of the National report prepared in consultations with civil society.

We thoroughly studied the report that shows the US' commitment to improving implementation of human rights obligations and country's adherence to the UPR process.

While recognizing that no country is immune to human rights problems, we must admit that not all of the Member States are that much open in reporting on and dealing with existing challenges.

Commending efforts undertaken by the USA in implementing recommendations accepted during the first cycle of the Review, Ukraine recommends the United States to consider establishing an independent national human rights institution, in accordance with the Paris Principles to further improve coordination in the human rights sphere at the national level.

We wish the USA delegation a successful review session and further progress in promotion and protection of human rights.

I thank you.